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## THE BIG FIGHT.

How Dempsey Knocked Out Sharkey.

DISPUTE OVER STOMACH PUNCH.

What Official Slow Motion Pictures Show.

Jack Dempsey has put himself into direct line for a championship fight for the world's heavyweight title by knocking out Jack Sharkey in the seventh round. The ex-champion, according to the cabled description below, staged a wonderful comeback and has reasserted himself in popular favour.

The disputed body punch was a fair one, according to the referee and the slow motion pictures.

New York, July 22.

Dempsey knocked out Sharkey in the seventh round.

Forty powerful arc lamps, focussed on the centre of the open-air arena, threw up the ring in bold relief against the darkness.

Before the start Sharkey was favourite at 7 to 5, but Dempsey was made favourite at 11-10 when the contestants entered the ring. They were cheered by 80,000 spectators.

Both exerted every ounce from the beginning. Sharkey twice drew blood, and raised a bad cut over Dempsey's right eye, but the former champion was unperturbed and kept honours fairly easy to the seventh, when he knocked down Sharkey with a sledge-hammer right.

after forty-five seconds in the seventh round sunk his right viciously into Sharkey's stomach and came over with the left, not the right, to the jaw. Sharkey and his seconds protested a foul.

The referee was puzzled for the moment and then gave the verdict to Dempsey amid tumult and applause.

Ring Side Opinion.  
Mr. Matheson, one of two fight judges, will report to the Boxing Commission that Sharkey was hit below the belt and that, therefore, Dempsey should be disqualified.

Referee O'Sullivan states the blow was fairly delivered though he admits Sharkey was hit several times previously below the belt but not deliberately and that the blows were not injurious.

The Victor's Smile.



Jack Dempsey

The Dostonian, on rising, encountered a heavy blow to the stomach, and a right smash to the jaw floored him again. He tried to struggle to his knees on the count of nine, but swayed and fell almost senseless, flat on his face as the count concluded.

Dramatic Recovery.

Dempsey was clubbed by a series of hooks and upper cuts which left him reeling and groggy at the end of the first round but then made the most dramatic and popular comeback in ring history.

Eighty-two thousand spectators, representing G\$1,100,000 in gate-money were delirious with excitement when their blood-bespattered hero who in a decisive win showed himself a new man from the one defeated by Tunney last year.

After the first round, when Dempsey's supporters had almost given up hope, he fought back most doggedly ignoring Sharkey's ripping hooks and jabs which cut his face, lip and cheek causing him frequently to spit blood.

He defied Sharkey's youth, speed and craft and obtained a bulldog grip during the third to fifth by a concentrated attack on the body, in which his arms worked piston-like and unfatigably, and thus paved the way to victory.

A Protest.

In the sixth round he delivered three smashes to the head and then

Slow Motion Verdict.  
The official slow motion pictures showing the action in the seventh round of the fight reveal that the disputed blow was apparently quite fair.—Reuter's American Service.

BEFORE THE FIGHT.

Sharkey's Training.

It is reported in boxing circles that \$400,000 has been placed on Jack Sharkey at 6-5 to defeat Jack Dempsey.

The heat compelled Sharkey to taper off his training one day sooner than he had expected. He has been working out daily on the roof of Madison Square Garden in a specially constructed ring. He is a favourite with the crowd that watches his daily workouts.

Reports from Dempsey's camp at White Sulphur Springs are all favourable but rumours that the former champion is not up to his old form, will not be suppressed.

Division of Spoils.

The fight took place at the Yankee Stadium, New York and was scheduled for 15 rounds.

The winner of the bout will meet Gene Tunney in September, according to the contract both men fought under.

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## NAVAL PARLEY.

BRITISH CABINET'S LONG SITTING.

DELEGATES SUPPORTED.

London, July 21.

The Cabinet held the longest sitting since the day of the coal stoppage to consider the problem arising out of the Geneva Naval Conference. It only broke up because several Ministers had week-end engagements to the country. Those Ministers directly concerned will again meet during the week-end and next week.—Reuter.

Position Fully Explained.

London, July 21.

Reuter learns authoritatively that to-night Mr. W. C. Bridgeman and Lord Cecil fully explained the position in regard to the Naval Conference to to-day's Cabinet meeting and were assured of the Governments' full and unanimous approval of the line they had taken.

They will return almost immediately to Geneva after probably having further consultations with the experts in London.—Reuter.

[According to a British Official Wireless report the meeting of the Cabinet lasted three hours and a quarter.]

## BUSH PATENTS.

NOVEL MEDICAL AID SCHEME.

FREE AEROPLANE SERVICE.

Rugby, July 22.

An advanced and romantic system of giving medical aid to the isolated interior of Australia will be put into operation shortly as a result of co-operation between the British Medical Association and the Australian authorities.

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## ROYAL PARTY.

TEN THOUSAND INVITATIONS ISSUED.

FAREWELL TO PRINCES.

Rugby, July 22.

The Royal garden party was held at Buckingham Palace to-day. In previous years two garden parties have usually been given at the Palace during the season, about 6,000 invitations being issued for each, but for to-day's party over 10,000 invitations had been issued and there was a record assemblage of distinguished guests.

The party was to some extent in the nature of a farewell to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales who leaves for Canada to-morrow with H.R.H. Prince George and the Prime Minister.

The King of Egypt and the President of Liberia were present.—British Wireless Service.

## PEACE BRIDGE.

BRITISH PARTY'S MOTORING TRIP.

TO MEET GENERAL DAWES.

London, July 22.

It is announced that during their forthcoming visit to Canada the Prince of Wales and Mr. Baldwin will motor from Niagara Falls on August 7 to meet General Dawes (Vice-President of the United States) and Mr. Kellogg on the newly elected Buffalo Peace Bridge.—Reuter.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

The following typhoon warning was issued this morning:—

The typhoon has crossed Northern Luzon in the form of a shallow depression. It may increase in intensity in the China Sea.

## BORODIN AGAIN.

Arrival Reported An Kiukiang.

UP-RIVER JOURNEY.

Occupation of Foreign Premises.

Kiukiang, July 22.

M. Borodin arrived to-day from Kuling, which appears to be the summer resort of the Hankow party leaders. He was accompanied by Mrs. Prohm. Shortly after arrival Borodin proceeded up-river (presumably to Hankow) in a Chinese steam launch.—British Naval Wireless.

A Consular Protest.

Chinking, July 22.

The Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, on receipt of a protest from the consular representatives, has made representations to General Chiang Kai-shek and to Mr. C. C. Wang regarding the occupation of foreign premises by Nationalist soldiers.—British Naval Wireless.

## OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Reminder to Cross-Word Puzzle Competitors.

The twelfth cross-word puzzle of the "China Mail's" new series appears to-day for the last time, and competitors are reminded that their entries must reach the "China Mail" Office, No. 5 Wyndham Street, not later than noon on Monday next. The thirteenth puzzle of the new series will be published on Monday.

ation of foreign premises by Nationalist soldiers.—British Naval Wireless.

## SOVIETS RELEASED.

General Chiang Kai-shek Intervenes.

Shanghai, July 22.

It is officially stated that six Russians arrested aboard the s.s. "Henli" were to-day released by order of Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.

[A message from Shanghai on July 19 stated: A party of Nationalist soldiers to-day boarded the Soviet steamer "Henli." After a thorough search they arrested eight Chinese, one Korean and six Russian Communists, removing them handcuffed and with leg irons to Military Headquarters. A large quantity of documents was seized.

One of the Russians arrested was formerly personal adviser to General Chiang Kai-shek.]

South and North.

Shanghai, July 22.

Referring to yesterday's statement from Nanking Chinese and Foreigners are bewildered.

Reuter's Peking correspondent says that the Southern delegate is undoubtedly in Peking, and that peace negotiations are proceeding, but unsatisfactorily.—Reuter.

## AIR CRASH.

"BRISTOL FIGHTER" TURNS TURTLE.

Shanghai, July 22.

A Bristol Fighter, on descending in the Race Course after a flight over Shanghai this afternoon, struck a fence and turned turtle.

The pilot was uninjured but the machine was badly damaged.—Reuter.

## FLYING CROSS.

ECHO OF FLIGHT TO HAWAII.

LIEUTENANTS HONOURED.

Washington, July 22.

Lieutenants Mallard and Hegenberger have received the Distinguished Flying Cross from Mr. Frank Kellogg, representing President Coolidge in recognition of their flight from San Francisco to Hawaii.—Reuter's American Service.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 15/16

## INDO-CHINA.

VARENNE'S APPOINTMENT RENEWED.

POLICY SUPPORTED.

Paris, July 22.

The Government has renewed the appointment of M. Varenne as Governor-General of Indo-China for ten months.—Reuter.

Alleged Scandals.

Paris, cables of March 19 reported:—

The Government has decided to send a commission to Indo-China to investigate the alleged concessions scandals.

Until this commission has completed its labours, no fresh concessions will be granted, while those existing will be suspended.

In the Chamber of Deputies, M. Outrey, Deputy for Indo-China, interpellated the Government for the promotion in the Legion of Honour of M. Sabatier, a Civil Servant in Indo-China whom he charged with brutality and depravity.

Whilst admitting M. Sabatier's ability as an administrator he said that he had been a veritable king in the Darlac district of Annam for fifteen years.

The Communist leader, M. Cachin, criticised the grant of concessions in Indo-China resulting in the alleged cruel exploitation of the natives.

The Colonial Minister, M. Perrier, entirely exonerated M. Sabatier. He left M. Varenne, Governor-General of Indo-China, to deal with the question of the grant of a valuable rubber concession to M. Maihot, one of his friends.

M. Varenne strongly defended his policy. He declared that unless the Chamber fully supported him he would resign.

The Chamber adopted a resolution expressing confidence that the Government would follow a policy of progress and close co-operation with the natives and secure to the French Treasury all rights in granting exploitation concessions.—Reuter.

The Chamber of Deputies, by 360 votes to 150, expressed confidence in the colonial policy of the Government.

## HOAX SEQUEL.

COMMUNIST AGAIN UNDER ARREST.

Paris, July 22.

M. Semart was quietly arrested on the premises of the Syndicat Unitaire.—Reuter.

Story of the Yoke.

A Paris cable of June 25 stated: As the result of an astounding practical joke, Daudet and Delest of "L'Action Francaise," and Semart, a Communist, have been released from Sante Prison.

Marquis de Juigne, a Deputy, gave the following account of the incident:—

The Governor of the prison received a telephone message at mid-day to the effect that the Government had decided to release Daudet, Delest and Semart, and instructing him to arrange to liberate them as undemonstratively as possible.

The Governor telephoned to the Minister of the Interior for confirmation; but Royalists intercepted the call, and told the Governor that M. Saraut was out, but that his private secretary was speaking.

"Haven't you released Daudet yet. Hurry up; send out for taxis and be quick about it."

The Governor then released the prisoners, who were utterly unaware of the reason of the release. Semart, who is Secretary-General of the Communist Party, in an interview, said that the Governor came to his cell, told him that he was free and ordered him to get ready to leave the prison in half-an-hour.

Semart protested that he did not want a pardon which did not include M. Monmoussou, Secretary-General of the Confederation General du Travail Unitaire; but the Governor was insistent and "welsh" that he could not say anything more.

Semart then concluded that he had not been pardoned, but had been released as the result of his appeal to the Court of Cassation.

The Cabinet met to discuss the hoax, and decided to suspend the Governor.

## WAR MEMORIALS.

Great Pilgrimage to Flanders.

MENIN GATE CEREMONY.

58,000 Britons in Nameless Graves.

Memories of the grim fighting in the Ypres salient in 1914, 1915, and 1917 will be recalled by the ceremony to-morrow of the Menin Gate Memorial.

It is estimated that 4,000 persons, relatives who lost sons or husbands, will make the pilgrimage, 700 of these being women who are being taken free through the good offices of patriotic organisations.

Rugby, July 22.

A great pilgrimage to Flanders began to-day when relatives who had lost sons or husbands in the grim fighting in the Ypres Salient left London to witness the unveiling of the Menin Gate Memorial on Sunday by Field-Marshal Lord Plumer.

On the Menin Gate, which has been built over the Menin Road,

At Passchendaele.

The Cross of Sacrifice and Memorial, a monument to the memory of the 35,000 officers and men of the British Empire who fell in the later actions in the Ypres salient and have no known graves, was unveiled in Tyne Cot Cemetery, Passchendaele, the same morning by Capt. G. J. C. Dycett, C.M.G. The cemetery lies just under the crest of the Passchendaele Ridge, an objective of the fighting in 1917, and the crest commands a view over the plains of Flanders to the north and east. Among those present were delegates from the British Empire Service League, the British Legion, and the Imperial War Graves Commission, Colonel Goodland, the Burgomasters of Passchendaele and Zonnebeke, and people from the neighbouring villages.

The service was of a simple character, and Captain Dycett, the president of the Australian Ex-Service Men's Association, spoke briefly on behalf of all former soldiers of the Empire. The "Last Post" was sounded by the buglers, and after that the Reveille, and at the conclusion the Zonnebeke band played the British and Belgian National Anthems.

## STEEL TRUST.

GREAT SUCCESS IN GERMANY.

STRIKING FIGURES.

Berlin, July 22.

The efficacy of the nationalisation of industry, namely, the elimination of unproductive intermediate manufacturing processes and the centralisation of mass production is borne out by a statement from the German Steel Trust showing that in the first year since its formation the Trust produced 560,000,000 worth of goods, £24,000,000 worth of which was exported.

The Trust is issuing two loans through American bankers, firstly \$30,000,000 6½ per cent. Debentures, and, secondly, \$4,250,000 simultaneously in America European countries.—Reuter.

## BURMA MURDER.

FRENCH CATHOLIC FATHER KILLED.

YOUTH SENTENCED.

Rangoon, July 22.

Pothwe, a sixteen-year-old youth, who is a Karen teacher in the mission school, has been sentenced to death for the murder of Father Shagnot.

Accused admitted his guilt, and complained that the priest had harshly treated him.—Reuter.

[A Rangoon message of April 15 reported:—A French Catholic Missionary Father named Chagnot who has worked for twenty years in the Maubin district, has been murdered in his bedroom. The motive was apparently robbery. The perpetrator's identity is unknown.]

## BRITISH RUBBER.

RIGHTNESS OF POLICY AFFIRMED.

London, July 22.

What the Colonial Office was at present most concerned about was the degree of acceptance of the degree of criticism they had to meet in regard to the continuance of the Stevenson scheme, declared Mr. W. G. A. Ormsby Gore, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, at a banquet of rubber planters in upholding the rightness of the policy.

He added that he hoped to visit Malaya next year to see the country which in many ways was one of the most remarkable examples of economic expansion and British enterprise in the world.—Reuter.



Earl Haig.

are inscribed the names of 58,000 men of the British Army who are buried in nameless graves.

It is estimated that 4,000 persons will make the journey to Menin Gate, and of these 700 women are being taken free through the good offices of patriotic organisations.

With Lord Plumer at the unveiling ceremony will be Sir George Grahame, British Ambassador at Brussels, representing His Majesty King George; and Sir Lamington Worthington-Evans, Secretary of State for War, representing the British Government.

Brussels Tablet.

To-day in Brussels Field-Marshal Earl Haig unveiled at the Church of Saint Gudule a memorial tablet to 1,000,000 men of the British Empire who fell in Belgium during the war.

The simple but impressive ceremony was attended by the Belgian Crown Prince and the leading Belgian officials.—British Wireless Service.

Ploegsteert Ceremony.

There was another impressive pilgrimage to the battlefields of the north when on Sunday, July 19, representative delegation of the London Rifle Brigade arrived at Ypres, and made a tour in motor-cars. In the evening, after an official dinner, the band of the brigade in full uniform gave a concert on the Grande Place, and a silver medal was handed to the Mayor, as a souvenir of the brigade's visit.

The following morning the British soldiers were driven in motor-cars to the village of Ploegsteert, to attend the unveiling of the memorial tablet in the London Rifle Brigade cemetery, which was consecrated by the Bishop of London in 1915.

The unveiling ceremony was performed by Major-General Sir F. H. M. Wilson, Commander of the 4th Division in 1914, who delivered a moving speech, recalling the brave deeds of the London Rifle Brigade during the war, and citing its battle honours. General Molitor, representing the Belgian Minister of National Defence; Earl Cairns, Colonel of the regiment at the outbreak of the war; Lieut.-Colonel J. Micklen, the present commander; and M. Alfred Lecomte, Burgomaster of Ploegsteert, also spoke.

It may be recalled that at Ploegsteert the London Rifle Brigade had 91 officers and 849 men killed, and 181 officers and 3,929 men wounded.







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By Order of the Board of Directors,  
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Hong Kong, 14th July, 1927.

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### WAR OF THE FUTURE.

PROF. SOMBART'S ORIGINAL VIEW.

Some original views on the

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Professor Werner Sombart, the

well-known economist, in an inter-

view in the "Pesti Hirlap," of

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We are, he said, faced with a

strange paradox. War has always

existed, and, in his opinion, must

always exist. But the develop-

ment of the technique of war may

reach a point when war will no

longer be possible. In modern

war human beings, singly or in

the mass, have become merely

material to be annihilated, and the

nations possessing the means of

mass-murder must sooner or

later realise the aimlessness of

war of annihilation, which would

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as on the vanquished.

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TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st September.  
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.  
RANGON MARU ... Thursday, 28th July.  
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.  
GINGO MARU ... Friday, 15th August.  
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.  
KAMAKURA MARU ... Thursday, 11th August.  
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.  
TATSUNO MARU ... Wednesday, 10th August.  
CALCUTTA MARU ... Thursday, 25th August.  
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.  
LYONS MARU ... Friday, 8th August.  
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OSAKA MARU ... Saturday, 23rd July.  
TOTTORI MARU ... Monday, 8th August.

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TANGO MARU ... Friday, 19th August.  
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
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CHENONCEAUX ... A	1st July	2nd August	30th Aug.
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#### CREW TAKEN OFF THE "HOMESTEAD."

Bombay, July 22.  
The American steamer "Homestead" has been abandoned by the crew who were taken off by the "Aungban," which is proceeding to Bombay.—Reuter.  
[The s.s. "Homestead" was on Thursday reported to be sinking.]

### WARSHIPS IN PORT.

North Wall Basin, Wild Swan; South Wall Basin, Onslaught and Moorhen; East Wall Basin, Subs. L16 and L18; North Arm, Wishart and Seraphim; West Wall Dock, Vindictive; In Dock, Delhi; Talkoo Dock, Foxglove; Kowloon Dock, Emerald; Buoy 1, Hermes; Buoy 8, Dauntless; Buoy 12, Marazion; Buoy 18, Ruthenia; Buoy 19, U.S.S. Helena; Buoy 25, Kharkis; Kowloon Anchorage, Fortol; A.25 Buoy, War Afriid and Belgol.

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex m.v. "Remo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after July 24.  
Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Kabinga" are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after July 25 will be subject to rent.  
Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Comerio" are reminded to take delivery of their goods before July 25.  
Consignees of Cargo ex the s.s. "Amazona" are asked to send in their claims to the Agent before July 28.  
Goods arrived per s.s. "Benledi" remaining undelivered after July 28, will be subject to rent. Consignees of Cargo please note.

Mr. N. Norval, chief officer of the s.s. "Daviken," has been appointed master of the s.s. "Solviken" in place of the late Capt. Jentoft, who died yesterday morning as a result of wounds inflicted when the vessel was pirated on Wednesday.

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#### OLD "TARA" GOES TO BREAKERS.

Close on the heels of the sale of the British India liner "Tara" to shipbreakers, her predecessor in the name, a ship which has been equally well-known under the British and Spanish flags, has sailed for the same last port. She was built in 1889 by Messrs. Inglis, of Glasgow, for the British India Associated Steamers and was a single screw ship of 4,713 tons, driven by a triple expansion engines at a speed of 15 knots. She was conspicuous for her big coal capacity and comfortable accommodation, being built for the service which the British India Line ran to Queensland with mails under an agreement with the State Government.

This was a service on which accidents of varying importance were constantly occurring, but the "Tara" was very tolerably lucky, and was certainly one of the most popular ships on the run, keeping her time from the London river with train-like precision.

In the year 1894 the Compania Transatlantica were augmenting their fleet very considerably, partly because the Spanish subsidy system had given them the opportunity of opening new lines and partly because the number of their liners, which had been taken up as auxiliary cruisers to maintain a blockade of the Cuban ports during the long drawn out revolt, had left the company very short of tonnage.

Accordingly, the "Tara" was bought and renamed "P. de Sautrategui," being listed as an auxiliary cruiser and having her guns reserved for her, but never being employed in this role. As a general rule she was kept on the River Plate run, but during the war she made very big profits on the New York service. More recently she has been employed on the West Indian and Mexican Gulf run, but has been laid up at Barcelona for some months past.

The fact that two ships of the same name have gone to the scrapers together, although there was an interval of 14 years in their date of launch on the Clyde, is accounted for by the difference in the methods of the Spanish and British companies.

Messrs. Alexander Hall and Co., Limited, Aberdeen, have launched a steel screw hopper barge named "Clearway," built to the order of the James Dredging, Towing and Transport Company, Limited, London.

Definite plans were completed recently for the organisation in Charleston of a maritime association. A charter has been applied for, and as soon as it is received the association will be formally organised. The organisation will be known as the Maritime Association of the Port of Charleston. The purpose of the organisation is to establish standardised customs for Charleston, customs which will be recognised as being general for the entire port.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived in Hong Kong by the s.s. "Mishima Maru" from Manila on July 21 were:—  
Mr. G. Sadhumall, Mrs. C. Box, Mr. A. Ferrando, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Malloch, Mr. Law Poo, Mr. Lee Chun, Mr. Tong Ong, Master Mano Ong, Miss Polor Ong, Mrs. M. Herrera, Mr. Mui Yip, Mr. E. S. Ostrandu, Mr. A. Hughes, Miss A. Sydenham, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ross, Mr. E. Parlos, Mr. Tin Tel-mal, Mrs. M. Rey, Master D. Rey, Mr. Y. Kishibe, Mr. D. P. Williams, Mr. K. Miyawaki, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bromley, Mr. W. C. Cain, Mr. J. B. Evans, Mr. J. E. King, Mr. B. Mangan, Mr. M. Nakajima, Mr. T. Nagase, Mr. R. Nagase, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smyth, Mrs. M. M. Thurnburn, Mr. and Mrs. T. Yamazaki, Mr. T. Wollaston, Mrs. K. Yamamoto, Mrs. S. Yamaji, Mr. T. Utsuki, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Ogawa, Mr. A. Matsumoto, Miss I. Cook and Mr. G. Sadahamall.

### DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed from Hong Kong by the s.s. "Mishima Maru" on July 22 were:—  
Miss Thurnburn, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. E. Grimble, Mr. T. Maitland, Mr. Evans, Mr. T. Sakurai, Mr. Matsumoto, Mr. C. Cain, Mrs. Y. Seki, Prof. and Mrs. J. Smyth, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bromley, Mr. T. Nakajima, Mr. T. Wollaston, Mr. R. Nagase, Mr. and Mrs. Highleyman, Rev. Magan, Rev. King, Mr. and Mrs. K. Matsuo, Mr. Yamoji, Mrs. Yamoji, Mr. Munetings, Mrs. Yamosaki, Mr. Y. Shibota, Mr. and Mrs. Ogawa, Mrs. Ida Cook, Mrs. Rey, Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto.

### HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889. The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

July 23 to 29, 1927.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWEST WATER
	Standard Times	Standard Times
July	Times	Times
Sat. 21	4 44	5 56
Sun. 22	5 34	6 46
Mon. 23	6 24	7 36
Tues. 24	7 14	8 26
Wed. 25	8 04	9 16
Thurs. 26	8 54	10 06
Fri. 27	9 44	10 56
Sat. 28	10 34	11 46
Sun. 29	11 24	12 36

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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Leave Sept. 14	Leave Sept. 17	Leave Sept. 20	Leave Sept. 23
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Leave Oct. 5	Leave Oct. 8	Leave Oct. 11	Leave Oct. 14
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Leave Oct. 23	Leave Oct. 26	Leave Oct. 29	Leave Nov. 1
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Leave Nov. 15	Leave Nov. 18	Leave Nov. 21	Leave Nov. 24
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CANADA MARU ... Sunday, 31st July.  
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SEATTLE MARU ... Wednesday, 27th July.  
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CELEBES MARU ... Sunday, 24th July.  
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BATAVIA MARU ... Thursday, 26th July.  
BORNEO MARU ... Friday, 29th July.  
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
KOTSU MARU ... Sunday, 24th July.  
HOZAN MARU ... Sunday, 31st July.  
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
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MOREA	10,953	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
DEVANHA	8,155	17th Sept.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Marseilles & London
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## AN EMPIRE LAW.

AUSTRALIA'S COASTAL SERVICES.

THE NAVIGATION ACT.

The annual conference of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Commonwealth, held at Perth as usual dealt with a number of important subjects of interest to the commercial community, not only in Australia, but also in Great Britain.

In his presidential address, states the "Financial Times" correspondent at Perth, Mr. J. M. Dunlop revived the question of the amendment of the Navigation Act, and said that "some radical change in this is overdue. Among the important things that go to make up the life of a nation, few are more essential than suitable lines of communication for its citizens, goods and mails. When one knows that in 1913 there were 43 coastal passenger vessels, of a tonnage of 166,556, and that in 1926 there were only 13, of a tonnage of 64,116, one realises it is no wonder our national life suffers, and that some of the States which are the more dependent on seaborne intercourse are feeling the burden too great for them."

Free Intercourse.

In this connection two resolutions were passed by the conference. One declared "that, in view of the restricted shipping services since the passing of the Navigation Act and the limitation of free intercourse between the States resulting therefrom," the Commonwealth Government should amend the Navigation Act, with the object of facilitating the coastal trade. The second resolution asked for an alteration of the requirements of the Navigation Act permitting British vessels to engage in those portions of the Australian coastal trade where exemptions do not already exist, provided that fares on vessels to be exempted should be higher than the fares charged by vessels on the Australian register.

Another resolution asked for a conference in London of representatives of the United Kingdom, the Dominions and Colonies of the British Empire, with a view to introducing one shipping law for the Empire.

Several resolutions dealt with the problems of communications, including the revision of the restriction of figures and commercial marks imposed on deferred cablegrams at the recent International Telegraph Convention, and the limitation of code words to five letters. The conference also resolved "that, in view of the fact that the capital expenditure on the beam wireless stations is one-fourth of the capital expenditure on high-power stations, and having regard to the advantages gained by cheapening communications by wireless, the beam wireless rates should be fixed at not more than two-thirds of the prevailing cable rates."

The conference advocated the proposal of wheat shippers that alterations of bills of lading should not be made without reasonable notice and discussion with the shipping companies.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The s.s. "President Cleveland" of the Dollar Steamship Line will sail from Manila to-day, at 5 p.m. She will arrive in Hong Kong on Monday morning, July 25 at daylight.

The s.s. "President Madison" of the American Mail Line sailed from Shanghai yesterday and will arrive in Hong Kong to-morrow. This steamer will sail from Hong Kong for Manila on Monday, July 25 at 6 a.m.

The s.s. "Garbeta" left Singapore for this port on July 19, p.m. and is due here on July 26.

The M.V. "Viminale" (D. & Co.) is due to sail from Shanghai to-day, and is expected in Hong Kong on July 26.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) arrived in Manila from Rabaul & Australian Ports on July 20, and is expected in Hong Kong on July 28.

The Dollar Steamship Line s.s. "President Cleveland" will sail from Hong Kong on Wednesday, July 27 at 7 a.m. destined to Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

The s.s. "Flume-L" (D. & Co.) from Trieste, sailed from Aden on July 18, and is due in Hong Kong on August 18.

The m.v. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on July 13, and is due here on or about August 19.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected here:—  
"Chenonceaux," August 2.  
"Athos II," August 30.  
"D'Artagnan," September 13.



## THE "MONTCALM."

BOUGHT BY NORWEGIAN FIRM.

FLOATING WHALE FACTORY.

A ship which has had a much more varied career than most big liners, and which made a great name for herself both under the Canadian Pacific and Elder Dempster flags, the "Montcalm," of 1897, has been bought by Norwegian owners, who intend to convert her into a floating whale factory of the latest pattern, and employ her round about South Sandwich Island in the Antarctic, a region which has such weather that her selection is a fine tribute both to her builders and the owners who have taken care of her.

She was constructed by Palmers' Shipbuilding Company on the Tyne in 1897 for Elder Dempsters' Canadian service, a service which carried on the old Beaver Line, and which afterwards grew to be the foundation of the Canadian Pacific Atlantic service. Her sisters were the "Montague" and "Monterey," the famous "Montrose" was slightly larger.

The "Montcalm" had a gross tonnage of roughly 5,500, and was propelled by triple-expansion engines at a sea speed of 13 knots, while she had a deadweight capacity of 8,000. On trial she made a speed of 13.54 knots, and was always a very satisfactory factory steamer. In 1900 she was taken up as a horse transport for the South African campaign, carrying over 900 horses of mules at a time and being very fortunate in respect of casualties. At the end of the war she inaugurated Elder Dempster's new service between Avonmouth and St. John, New Brunswick. In 1933 she and her sisters were bought by the Canadian Line, and from that date until the outbreak of war she ran backwards and forwards across the Atlantic.

On War Service.

She was commissioned for military duty soon after war broke out, and in 1915 was purchased outright by the Admiralty, who intended to fill her with cement and use her as a blockship, but they afterwards changed their minds. In 1916, therefore, they sold her to the Leyland Line, who transferred her to the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co. within a few months. She was then renamed "Crenella" and refitted as a tanker, but in November, 1917, she was torpedoed by a submarine off the South Coast of Ireland, contriving to reach port with difficulty. In August, 1918, she was again attacked, but this time the torpedo missed.

Before the end of the war she was taken over by the Government, but the Anglo-Saxon Company was still allowed to manage her. Oil was very precious in those days, with the result that she was worked backwards and forwards without rest, and after the war she got into rather poor condition and had to be laid up in the Gareloch.

In 1921 she was bought by Runcimans, but they left her laid up in the Tyne until August, 1923, when she was sold to Norwegians to be converted into a whaling factory. At the time she received the name of "Ror Alfonsen," but the conversion was not a very elaborate one.

It appears that her new owners' intention is to fit her out according to most modern ideas which permit a whale to be tried out at sea and the sharks deprived of their usual big share of the catch. This involves conversion work far greater than was attempted in the first place, but it saves the export duties on which the Falkland Islands Government have been depending for years.

## CONSIGNEES.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 18th instant.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 3rd prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
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Hong Kong, 18th July, 1927.

## A LOST ORDER.

GERMAN YARD BUILDS NEW SHIP.

While one was sorry to see that Messrs. Burmeister and Wain obtained the order for the first motor passenger ship to be owned by the Adelaide Steamship Co., an order that ought by the nature of things to have come to a British yard (says the "Journal of Commerce") she certainly appears to be quite a noteworthy little vessel. Designed for the passenger coastal trade, she has a deadweight capacity of only 850, but with a 3,600 h.p. Burmeister and Wain Diesel engine driving a single screw she easily maintained her contract speed of 15 knots on trial. She appears to be an excellent type for the Australian coastal service, and it is to be hoped that she will soon be repeated, but this time from a British yard.

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DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on MONDAY, the 26th instant.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,

Agent.

Hong Kong, 19th July, 1927.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Sept. 7	Seattle	Agulhas	Oct. 16	Chgo-S'mpton Oct. 21
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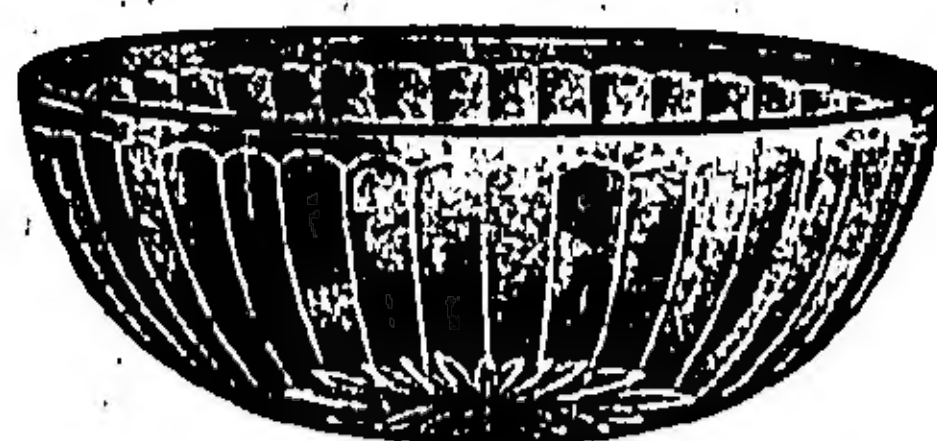
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Strand, W.C.2.**DEATH.**WONG.—On July 23, 1927, at  
Luguan Villa, Prince Edward  
Road, Kowloon, John Chun  
Wong, an old resident of Hong  
Kong, in his 77th year, after  
a brief illness. Funeral on  
Monday, July 25, at the hearse  
passing The University Re-  
creation Ground, Pokfulam at  
3 p.m.

Hong Kong, Saturday, July 23, 1927.

**A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.**After four months' immunity  
from piratical attacks on steam-  
ers in Chinese waters, the Bias  
Bay pirates have returned to  
their lawless avocation. They are  
apparently undeterred by the  
measures taken against them by  
His Majesty's Navy on March 22;  
indeed there is more than a sug-  
gestion of malicious reprisal  
either for the action of the Navy  
or the successful coup of the  
pirates. He has since died from  
his injuries, and the Bias Bay  
fraternity have added another  
murder to the long list of out-  
rages which stands against their  
account. For the first time for  
many years, the pirates appear to  
have embarked at Hong Kong—  
by the usual ruse of booking as  
passengers. They usually fight shy  
of Hong Kong owing to the care-  
ful scrutiny, search and other  
precautions taken under the  
Piracy Prevention Ordinance.  
These regulations, however,  
apply only to coastal and river  
boats and, by selecting an ocean-  
going vessel as their "prey," the  
pirates were able to elude the  
vigilance of the local officers.The arrival in Hong Kong of a  
"super" dredger which is to be  
used in the operations which have  
as one of their main objects the  
competition of the Kai Tak re-  
clamation to enable it to function  
as a large aerodrome to be  
a centre for civil  
aviation. In the Far East,  
serves as a reminder of the length  
of time that has elapsed since a  
regular service to India by air,  
with extensions to Australia and  
the Far East, was promised by  
the Air Ministry. Little or no-  
thing in the way of practical  
achievement has been accom-  
plished other than by individual  
efforts of aviators whose success  
has been none the less creditable  
because their hands were not  
strengthened with the official co-  
operation which in the flights of  
aviators of other nationalities  
has played a large part in their  
success. The disinclination of  
the Persian Government to per-  
mit flying over Persian territory  
between Cairo and Karachi has  
been a factor in this delay, but it  
is difficult to imagine that this  
difficulty could not have been  
overcome ere now if it had been  
tackled in the proper manner.There has lately been a growing  
feeling of dissatisfaction with the  
Air Ministry in London which  
has found reflection in the tone  
of many editorials in the Home  
papers on the question of Empire  
aerial development. The ques-  
tion appears to centre round whe-  
ther or not a Ministry which is  
also charged with the duties of  
developing civil aviation can use-fully and effectively discharge  
military responsibilities. The  
Royal Navy does not busy itself  
with the operations which are so  
efficiently performed by the  
P. & O. Company; the Army  
would not engage to run the Lon-  
don and North Eastern Railway  
Company in normal times. So it  
is perhaps reasonable to suggest  
that the Air Ministry is weighed  
down by a burden too heavy to  
bear. The possibility of releasing  
it from military duties, thus  
allowing it to apply itself strict-  
ly to the task of encouraging civil  
aviation, may before long be con-  
sidered. In the meantime, it will  
be some time in 1929 before even  
the reclamation for the aero-  
drome in Hong Kong will be com-  
pleted, and to this must be added  
the further undertaking of build-  
ing erections suitable for such an  
important civil aviation centre. If  
reform in the Air Ministry is  
needed, then so far as Hong Kong  
is concerned, we can afford to  
wait.**CORRESPONDENCE.**

FOR LISTENERS IN.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]  
Sir,—We are in receipt of tele-  
graphic information to the effect  
that Messrs. Philips, Eindhoven  
(whose activities on the short  
wave system of wireless tele-  
phone are so well known amongst  
radio enthusiasts) intend to  
broadcast from their Eindhoven  
(Holland) studio continuously for  
24 hours commencing on Tues-  
day, July 25, at 6.40 p.m. (Hong  
Kong time). There will be a  
special programme and announce-  
ments will be made in English,  
French, German and Dutch; the  
wave length of this station is 30.2  
metre and the call letters  
C. P. J. J.This station has been heard  
very clearly in both the Dutch  
East and West Indies, and quite  
recently an operator on board a  
Dutch steamer was able (near  
Singapore) to follow practically  
word for word a speech delivered  
by the Queen of the Netherlands  
at Eindhoven. He used a simple  
short wave telephone reception  
set constructed by him on board,  
consisting of a single wire aerial  
strung between a boat davit and a  
funnel stay and one detector and  
two low frequency amplifying  
valves, with, of course, the neces-  
sary transformers and conden-  
sers.Care should be taken, when try-  
ing to tune in, not to confuse this  
station with Petrograd, which,  
we understand, works on practi-  
cally the same wave length, and  
which latter station was picked up  
last week both at Hong Kong and  
at sea between Hong Kong and  
Shanghai.As Agents for Messrs. Philips,  
we will be pleased to hear from  
any local W/T receiving station  
which was able to listen in to the  
above special broadcasting pro-  
gramme. Messrs. Philips are  
further particularly interested to  
learn, at what time of the day  
the best reception was made.Yours truly,  
Holland-China Trading Co.  
Hong Kong, July 23, 1927.**OUR FINANCES.**

Revenue and Expenditure.

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on March 31, 1927	\$4,474,923.41
Revenue from April 1 to 30, 1927	1,825,840.97
Expenditure from April 1 to 30, 1927	2,140,472.45
Balance	\$4,160,291.93
Assets and Liabilities on April 30, 1927.	
Deposits not Available	\$1,400,076.83
Coal Account	12,788.76
Postal Agencies	14,249.96
Suspense Account	739,662.55
Crown Agents Current Account	8,276.33
Adjustment of Ex-change	367,715.66
Total Liabilities	2,542,669.09
Balance	4,160,291.93
Total	\$8,702,960.02
Assets.	
Subsidiary Coins	\$1,642,268.93
Advances	449,468.15
Building Loans	1,700,659.33
Imprest	65,570.05
House Service Account	10,197.84
Unallocated Stores (P.W.D.)	403,897.95
Unallocated Stores (Railway)	178,826.06
Investment Account	1,836,053.85
Lorry Haulage Ac-count	9,557.40
Balance at Banks	413,660.46
Total	\$8,702,960.02

**CAPT. R. JENTOFT.****MURDERED SKIPPER LAID TO REST.****"SOLVIKEN" PIRACY SEQUEL.**

The funeral of Capt. Rickard Jentoft, the Norwegian skipper who was murdered during the piracy of the s.s. "Solviken" on Wednesday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley yesterday evening.

The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave officiated and amongst those present were the Danish Consul, Mr. H. Dreyer, representatives of the Norwegian Consulate, Captains and officers of the Norwegian vessels "Solviken," "Norviken," "Daviken," "A. Kjelldand" and "Havrodt," Captain Finn Malm, Mr. Roare of the Cosmopolitan Dock, Dr. E. de Souza and representatives of the Fui Yuen Hong (charterers) and Yee Kee Hong (charters).

Among wreaths at the graveside were tributes from "Loving Wife and Children," Mr. and Mrs. Sverre Berg (Consul for Norway), Norwegian Consulate, H. Dreyer, (Acting Consul for Denmark), Officers of s.s. "Solviken," s.s. "Daviken," "Helikon," Captain (and Mrs.) Asbjornsen of Alexander Kelland, Captain Jensen, ("Norviken"), Captain Buhr, ("Fuhai"), Captain Svane, ("Daviken"), Captain Norvalis, ("Sandviken"); Thorsen and Co., Karsten-Larsen and Co., Wallem and Co., Yee Kee Hong, Missions to Seamen, Fui Yuen Hong; Captain Holm, Kvanm, and Hannevler, Messrs. B. Rein, S. Froland, Ho Shique, Kristoffersen, Stenfaul, Juell, Thorsen, H. J. Wallem, T. Isdahl, E. Grimble, G. Hendrikson, A. C. Botelho, R. Johnnesen, Hernansen, Hilsen, G. Grimble, E. H. Ray, Finn Malm, Mr. and Mrs. J. Krogh Moe, Fr. Murer, R. E. Hoare, Dr. E. L. de Souza, Messrs. Naess and Hyer, and the Misses A. M. and E. M. Xavier and K. Gourdin.

**SERVICE OPENS.****LOCAL COMMERCIAL RADIO.****MESSAGES TO MANILA.**

With regard to the new short wave commercial wireless service which (as reported yesterday) will be opened to-day between Hong Kong and the Philippines for the exchange of ordinary, deferred and Press telegrams, it is learnt that the following rates will be charged:

To Manila, 30 cents per word ordinary; 15 cents per word deferred and Press.

To Luzon Islands (except Manila) and Corregidor Island, 45 cents per word ordinary.

All other islands 75 cents per word ordinary.

This is the first official short-wave length service started here and the Government are to be complimented on their enterprise in instituting it. Competition is all to the good in that it leads to rivalry for more and more efficient service for the benefit of the community. It is to be hoped that advantage will be taken by the commercial community of this reliable means of telegraphic communication with the Philippines, which has the added advantage of being cheaper than present cable rates.

The service has been made possible through the Radio Sub-department of the P.W.D. The work of reception and transmission will be carried out from the Post Office building, with a "remote control" operating the transmitter at Cape D'Agulair.

**CHINESE CHAMBER.****COMMERCIAL MEETING MATTERS.**

Among matters raised before the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at the monthly meeting yesterday was that of the possibility of extending assistance in their education to poor Chinese scholars.

The suggestion was made by Mr. Ho Lu and the Chairman, Mr. Li Yau-chuen, thought that it would not be a difficult matter to collect funds for such a purpose. As it was estimated that something like half a million dollars would be needed for the purpose of building schools offering such opportunities, it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance for the time being.

Another matter raised was that of the plight of the villagers of Shek Kap Mei village whose land was being resumed by the Government. The Chairman indicated that he would make representations on their behalf.

A foreman employed at Tai-ko wrote to the Chamber that prior to the strike of 1925 he had advanced wages to coolies employed under him to the amount of \$1,000. When the strike occurred, the coolies' wages were not paid and the foreman was the loser by the amount advanced. He requested in his letter that the Chamber mediate with the Company for the refunding of the money advanced.

**FEW CHILDREN ESCAPE IT.**

Stomach aches, so inoperable from the years of childhood, can become serious bowel disorder if not promptly quelled. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy is safe and dependable for both children and grown people. It immediately relieves severe intestinal pain and stops weakening diarrhoea. For sale everywhere.

**P'RAPPS—P'RAPPS NOT!**

Yet another libel!—"How is it," the big tobacco-ist asked the manager of his Aberdeen branch, "that you can sell so few cork-tipped cigarettes?"

"Well," his manager replied, "folk here dinna like the taste of coarr-rk burning."

"Pa, what's the difference be-  
tween a hill and a pill?"

"I don't know, my son, unless it's that a hill is high and a pill is round—is that it?"

"Naw! A hill is hard to get up and a pill is hard to get down."—Boston Transcript.

The play was "Julius Caesar," and no expense had been spared in the production. But the effect of the assassination scene was spoiled when the trick dagger refused to work, and as Brutus frantically jabbed the unfortunate Caesar with the odorous weapon a man in the gallery remarked, in a calm, interested voice:—  
Lumme, but 'e's tough!"

"Vat does honesty mean?" asked Cohen.

"Vell," replied Isaacs. It's difficult to explain. But if I cashed a cheque for fifty pounds, and got sixty pounds in mistake, and gave my partner five pounds, that would be honesty."

A Scottish couple, on the eve of Christmas, were discussing the subject of a present for their son. After much careful thought, the father hit on an idea.  
"I know," he said. "D'ye remember, he was a good boy last year, so we bought him a balloon for Christmas. Well he's been a good boy this year, so I think we'll blow it up for him."A man saw a message and an address on an egg he got for breakfast. The message read:—  
"This egg was packed by a girl thousands of miles away from England. She is supposed to be the prettiest girl in this neighbourhood, and is prepared to marry the man who eats his egg." The man called her: "I'll marry you."

He received a reply from the girl: "I am flattered by your proposal, but I am now married and have three children."

Sir Frank Benson wanted a certain young man to play at short notice the part of Rugby, servant to Dr. Caius in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," so he wired, "Can you play Rugby? If so, come at once."  
The reply he got was, "Coming. Played three-quarter for Blackheath."A rather pretentious young snob was showing the late Alfred de Rothschild a pair of malschite cuff-links.  
"Pretty stone, isn't it?" he said, "and very rare, too, I believe."  
"Yes," replied Mr. de Rothschild. "All my mantelpieces are made of it."

The man in the flat below—Why doesn't your wife sing to the baby when it cries?

The worried father—Hush! She used to, but the people in the flat above sent down to tell us that they prefer to hear the baby cry.

The old gentleman's wife was getting into a carriage, and he neglected to assist her. "You are not so gallant, John, as when you were a boy," she exclaimed, in gentle rebuke.  
"No," was the ready response, "and you are not so buoyant as when you were a girl!"

Stationmaster (to irritated passenger, waiting in queue at railway station)—We shall soon put this right, sir.

Irritated Passenger—Ah! At last! Going to put more trains on, eh?

Stationmaster—No, sir. We are ordering some more waiting-rooms.

Little Willie's sister had been very naughty, and her mother declared that instead of punishing the child she would get a good little girl in her place.

But the daughter was not in the least upset.

"You couldn't," she laughed. Her mother was surprised and asked the reason.

"Because," explained the girl wisely, "nobody would be silly enough to give you a good girl in exchange for a bad one."



## FERRY TENDERS.

KOWLOON CITY, SHAIKUIWAN SERVICE.

## A "GAZETTE" NOTICE.

It is announced in the "Gazette" that tenders will be received at the Colonial Secretary's office until noon on Wednesday, August 31, for a licence for three years for the exclusive maintenance of the ferry service for the conveyance of passengers between Victoria, Hung Hom, Kowloon City, Saiwanho and Shaikuiwan.

The schedule is to provide for not less than one departure every 45 minutes daily from each of the following piers between 5.15 a.m. and 6 p.m.: the Ken Shan Wharf, Victoria; Hung Hom ferry wharf; Kowloon City wharf and Shaikuiwan or Saiwanho wharf.

## Nine Ferry Boats.

Not less than 9 ferry vessels are to be provided of not less than 90 feet overall measurements with suitable beam not less than 16 feet and a speed of not less than 10 knots, fitted with navigation bridge and water-tight bulkheads, etc.

The Kowloon Dock Service which runs between Queen's Pier and the Docks at Hung Hom not being a service run for payment or reward shall not be interfered with or hampered in any way by the licensee; the carrying on of such service shall not be deemed to infringe or affect the rights of the licensee or to give rise to any claim whatsoever by him.

## Rates to be Charged.

The licensee of the ferry or group of ferries may demand and take for every passenger fares not exceeding the following rates:—

Between Victoria and Shaikuiwan or Saiwanho: 1st class 12 cents, 2nd class 7 cents.

Between Victoria and Kowloon City: 1st class 10 cents, 2nd class 6 cents.

Between Victoria and Hung Hom: 1st class 8 cents, 2nd class 4 cents.

Between Kowloon City and Kowloon City: 1st class 4 cents, 2nd class 2 cents.

Between Hung Hom and Shaikuiwan or Saiwanho: 1st class 10 cents, 2nd class 6 cents.

Between Kowloon City and Shaikuiwan or Saiwanho: 1st class 10 cents, 2nd class 6 cents.

## ELIXIRS OF LIFE.

## POPULARITY OF CHARMS IN ALL AGES.

How the ancient processes of mummifying the body, or making an image of a king, conferred upon him a new existence and a divine personality which enhanced his powers of ensuring safety and prosperity for his subject, was described at a meeting held at the Welcome Historical Medical Museum by the Royal Anthropological Institute.

Professor G. Ellitt Smith, in an address, said the Museum contained a vast collection of charms, amulets, and elixirs of life, used by people of every race and clime, and of every time from the upper palaeolithic age to Twentieth Century London, for the purpose of self-protection. While the original excuse for the efficacy of most of these givers of life was shown to be unfounded, many of them still survived in popular estimation, but, being stripped of any justification for their reputation, fell into the category of magic.

Another aspect of essentially the same process was displayed in the practice of mummy-making, the use of relics and magic bundles, and the imitation of medicine-men. The pretence of mummification in the case of a king—already referred to—was the essence of the initiation of a medicine-man, giving him new name and new powers of life and death; and the symbol of his powers was the magic bundle, which was the actual mummy or the pretended relic of his predecessor. In the wonderful reproductions of a chronological series of "pharmacies" could be found a dramatic demonstration of the historical links between the magic of the past and the science of to-day.

A cordial message of greeting to the Institute was received from Mr. Henry S. Wellcome, who is at present in the United States, and a vote of thanks to him was moved by Sir James Berry, seconded by the Earl of Onslow, and carried.

The President of the Institute spoke of the appointment of Captain L. W. G. Malcolm as curator of the Museum, characterising him as a well-known anthropologist, who would ensure the continued growth of the collection and their study upon sound historical lines.

Salesman: And what kind of a motor horn would you like, sir? Do you care for a good, loud blast?

Haughty Customer: No; I want something that just sneers.

## JUNK LOST.

CAPSIZED IN HEAVY SQUALL.

## OCCUPANTS SAVED.

The loss of his trading junk (No. 1394) is reported by the master who, together with the crew of four, was saved on the boat capsizing in a squall between Cheung Chau and Macao on July 21.

The occupants were saved by a passing fishing junk.

The value of the junk is \$225 and that of the cargo, \$400.

## MEDICINE OF LIFE.

## ANCIENT TRADITION ABOUT THE PEARL.

At a meeting of the Manchester Egyptian and Oriental Society, Professor Maurice Carney gave an address on "The Pearl as the Medicine of Life."

Among ancient peoples, he said, it was believed that pearls were formed from rain-drops, or dew drops, or rays of sunlight, which fell into the gaping valve of the pearl shell. The dew drops seem to be sometimes thought of as tears. Pearls have been held also to be particles of moon-substance. They were credited with a magical potency. In Palestine they have been worn by Arabs and Jews alike as amulets. They were supposed to ward off evil and to cure disease.

In Syria, India, and China they appear often in medical prescriptions. The lecturer gave the ingredients found in a medical work which has survived in Syria. Syrian writers, describe other things as pearls, and call them also the Medicine of Life and Life-giving. Such things include the sacred word and the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Jesus is said to have been known as the Pearl and the Life-giver. He is spoken of also as the Medicine of Life or Our Medicine of Life.

The lecturer considered a remarkable fragment which has been preserved in the Syriac "Acts of Judas Thomas." This fragment has become known as "The Hymn of the Soul" because it has been taken to be an old gnostic hymn which found its way by accident into the Acts of Thomas. Professor Carney submitted that it was not a gnostic hymn at all, but a legend based on ancient mythological material. It should be described not as the Hymn of the Soul but as the Song of the Pearl, the central theme being the quest of a unique pearl, the Medicine of Life, which was to be found in the sea, guarded by a terrifying dragon or serpent.

In conclusion, a reconstruction of the legend was presented in which the fragment becomes an old folk-song or fairy tale.

## KILLED BY A SHEEP.

## MISFORTUNE OF AN ESSEX TOWN.

A square of railings round a well in an empty field and a deserted avenue of trees are all that remain to-day of the bid made 200 years ago by the little country town of Witham to rival Bath and Cheltenham as a fashionable watering place. Dr. Taverner, a physician of eighteenth-century Witham, was responsible for the making of the bid.

He noticed the medicinal properties of the water coming from a well outside the town and wrote a long book to urge the claims of Witham as a spa.

He realised that the town would derive more prosperity if visitors came to them and accordingly proved that the water of the spring was so volatile that it could not possibly be bottled.

Pump Room. The town followed his lead. A pump room was built, and a large ball room erected. Visitors began to come, and an avenue of trees was planted under which the fine ladies and gentlemen might walk after they had taken the waters. Witham was to become a centre of fashion.

Visitors fell off, however, after the first rush of the curious, and died away almost to nothing. The country round Witham was not as attractive as that around Bath, and the water did not taste sufficiently unpleasant.

Witham began to realise that as a spa it was a failure. The ball room was pulled down and the pump room was suffered to fall into disrepair.

Eventually an inquisitive sheep wandering into the pump room fell down and choked the well, and finally ended Witham's brief bid to be a British spa.



## ARMSTRONG SCENE.

SHAREHOLDER CALLS FOR "A REVOLVER!"

## MILLIONS OF LOSSES CUT.

A painful scene was created at the meeting of Armstrong, Whitworth, and Company, the big engineering business, in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Giving his name as Mr. Graham, of Gateshead, and speaking with emotion, a shareholder said he was 75 and had worked for Armstrongs over 60 years.

"I could take a revolver," he cried excitedly, "and shoot the lot who caused Sir William Armstrong to turn in his grave."

"Change the name, for God's sake. My capital is gone. A revolver, Mr. Chairman, a revolver!"

Mr. J. Frater Taylor, the vice-chairman, presiding in the absence of Lord Southborough, the chairman, through illness, had admitted in the course of his speech that the annual report was far from satisfactory and said that the views expressed by Sir Gilbert Garnsey and himself were turning out to be true.

Consideration was being given, he continued, to the necessity of substantially writing down the plant and properties and investments, particularly the company's interests in the Newfoundland Power and Paper Company, which had been compelled to curtail its operations in view of the exceptional conditions that had developed in the trade during the last six months.

## THE GHOST SHIP.

## SAILED INTO PORT AND VANISHED.

The port of Reykjavik, Iceland, which is at present very much frequented by Faroe fishing cutters, believes that it has been visited by a "ghost ship," the story being reminiscent of the old tales of "The Flying Dutchman," which suddenly appeared and was believed to presage death and disaster for those who saw it.

One evening in April a functionary of the port, Kristian Jonasson, saw an Icelandic trawler enter the harbour. Sailing alongside was a Faroe fishing cutter with two boats in tow, in one of which were two men in oilskins. It anchored alongside five other Faroe cutters in the harbour.

Several witnesses. The harbour pilot had boarded the trawler, and he, the crew of the pilot boat all affirm that they saw the cutter but that no one was to be seen on board. The cutter carried the letters of identity F.D. but no figures; F.D. means that the cutter belonged to Fugleford.

When the cutter anchored Mr. Jonasson telegraphed to the port doctor to go on board to make the usual examination, but when the police boat with the doctor, Mr. Jonasson, and an engineer neared the spot where the cutter had been she had vanished.

As barely 15 minutes elapsed before the police boat arrived, it was impossible for the cutter to have reached so far as behind the islands lying off the harbour. Reykjavik message to Copenhagen says that it has been impossible to find a natural explanation of the occurrence.

## MEN'S WAVED HAIR.

## CAMBRIDGE UNDERGRADS' "FASHION."

The latest fashion among Cambridge undergraduates is to have their hair waved.

While old Cambridge men up for May Week are inclined to sniff at what they regard as a sign of foppishness, Miss Cambridge does not seem to be able to make up her mind on the question. Some of the women frankly admire the young giants whose exquisitely waved hair gives them the appearance of the traditional matinee idol; while others scoff at them as being effeminate. A few even are jealous, as some of the men have a better wave to their hair than they have themselves.

A Cambridge hairdresser told a "Daily Mail" reporter that he had never known so many undergraduates have their hair artificially waved as at present. He said:—

It has just become the fashion. I cannot say why. The men have their hair waved regularly about every nine or ten days. We do this, of course, with hot irons, in the same way as we wave the women's hair. Many of the men are just as fussy about their hair as the women.

Good manners are the outward expression of an inward attitude of mind.—Professor Winifred Cullis.

## THE SMALL BALL.

WHYSALL TALKS ON CRICKET.

## PROMISE OF LARWOOD.

Before the season opened I thought a lot about the smaller ball and what might happen (writes W. W. Whysall, the Notts and England batsman, in "All Sports Weekly") and frankly, I was not sure that it was going to do so much as people expected, though it is certain that the experiment is interesting both to the spectators and the players. I think that it will to a great extent favour the batsmen, but I know this is not the general opinion and that it is in direct opposition to its intention.

Difficult to Face. I base my opinion upon the fact that with the smaller surface exposed to wind resistance, the ball will not swing about so much. A swinging ball is one of the most difficult that any batsman can face.

Let us then, if there is less likelihood of this, then it will help the men who make the runs.

Against this, I must confess that I think it will assist slow bowlers such as Kilner, Richmond, and Freeman when the wickets suit them. They will be able to get a firmer grip upon the ball and so obtain greater spin. But then these men could always spin a ball when conditions suited them, and the batsmen were nearly always in trouble, so there will not be a great change here.

In these days, when international cricket is again coming into its own, it is good to look around to see where our young players are coming from to uphold the honour which was regained last year for England. At times there is a pessimism which is worrying, but I for one, am not going to subscribe to any such idea.

## Player With A Future.

I think we have some fine young players coming along, and we have no need to trouble on this score. It takes considerable time to make a really great cricketer, and the effects of a long stoppage such as we had during the War are far-reaching.

Let us look at some of the younger players and start away by discussing Larwood, of my own county. This young player did enough last season to convince all that he is one of the most promising men, though perhaps it would be better to say he has lived up to his promise. Everybody knows what his bowling is like or at least knows the effect of his bowling and he has, moreover, the right temperament for any game.

Further, Larwood has the makings of a good batsman. He is picking up knowledge in this section of the game, and he has at times proved his worth to Notts in ways other than bowling. His fielding, too, is really good. Yes, Larwood is a good player of the future for England.

## Leyland's Nerve.

Yorkshire have a left-handed batsman called Leyland. Have you seen his calm walk to the wicket when going in to bat? He is coolness personified. I don't think anything worries him or ever will worry him. Leyland will become a Test player. It needs nerve to play in these big games, just as it does to play with the county, but I should say that Leyland would be as imperturbable against Australia as he would against Notts.

It is very strange to say that Jack Hobbs has a rival at cover-point, but I think he has in Hutchinson, of Derbyshire. Perhaps I would go so far as to say that Hutchinson is the best cover-point in England.

Derbyshire, too, have another player who will have a good future. Worthington is his name. This cricketer stands six feet high and weighs something like 13 ft. and, my word, he can hit a ball. He is also a useful bowler, and in the field never gives anything away.

Derbyshire seem to be doing better this season, and I am very glad but not surprised. They have found some useful players.

A Nottingham player in S. Staples. In the slips or anywhere round the wicket he never misses a catch. He can get runs and is no mean trundler. These all-round players are very useful to a side, and Staples is one of the best.

It was a great pity that Hammond, of Gloucester, was ill last season, for he has quickly shown in the present campaign that he is a player of the highest order. Three consecutive hundreds are not easily gained in county cricket. Here I endorse the general opinion that Hammond is one of England's future mainstays. Again, the player is a great fielder.

Respect for All Bowlers. With regard to the bowlers I play against. I have the most sincere respect for every one. Don't believe that there are any easy bowlers in county cricket. Take my word for it that there is none.

Some, of course, are more than others and of the fast merchants I have played against perhaps Macdonald, of Lancashire, is the most difficult. He, like Larwood, is full of "devil." You never know what is coming next. A short one will follow a " Yorker," and then he will find one that "fizzes" off the pitch and spins in. You have to make up your mind quickly when playing against Macdonald and when once it is made up you have to stick to it. He bowls too fast to allow any second chance.

The slow bowler? Well, there is one man who stands alone for beating the batsman by sheer craft—Roy Kilner of Yorkshire. It's no use trying to describe what happens when Roy is bowling, because he has so many tricks up his sleeve and he trots them out at will.

I'll let you into a little secret of mine. If I score 50 against Yorkshire I consider that I have done as well as if I had hit a century off any other county. Runs take some getting when you are opposed by Kilner, Rhodes & Co.

## A Great Match-Winner.

It would not be fair to leave off here without mentioning one player whom I consider a great match-winner—Patsy Hendren, of Middlesex. I am never tired of telling the story of when Notts left Middlesex 500 runs to get at Nottingham—on Middlesex wanted that number when Patsy came in to bat. He got 200 not out, and when he made the winning hit he ran off the field with an air that said: "That showed you how to get them!" He had; it was a glorious knock when everything seemed against his side.

Lastly, but by no means least, our captain, Mr. A. W. Carr is one of the greatest sportsmen in the game. Notts have had some good skippers, and Mr. Carr lives up to the reputation of the past great men. A great captain can do more to make a great side than anything else, and, take my word for this, Notts have this asset.

## POISON IN COCOA.

## DETECTED WHEN SPOON TURNED BLACK.

A story of poison being detected in a cup of cocoa as a result of a spoon turning black was told at Manchester Assizes, when Basil Anthony Constantines, aged 31, of Garswood Road, Wilbraham Estate, Manchester, a Greek, was found guilty of attempting to endanger the life of Michael O'Dea, of Dover Street, Chorlton-on-Medlock. He was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Mr. Justice Roche said he would recommend Constantines for deportation. Mr. J. E. Singleton, K.C., for the prosecution, said Constantines had lost an action against O'Dea. On January 18, Mrs. O'Dea found a sample packet of cocoa which apparently had been put through the letter box. She was going to use the contents for her husband's supper, but on mixing it with hot water noticed that the spoon in the cup turned black.

When the contents of the cup were analysed, 13.2 grains of corrosive sublimate of mercury were found. A bottle containing several tablets of the poison was found in an office jacket belonging to Constantines.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.  
July 23—Queen's Theatre; "Shoulder Arms."  
July 23—World Theatre; "Tongues of Flame."  
July 23—Star Theatre, Kowloon; "The Wrong Mr. Wright."  
July 23—Ten Dance, Cafe Restaurant, Parisien, 4.30 p.m.  
July 23—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m. Matinee: 4.30 p.m.  
July 23—Launch Picnic, for the services; parties to leave Queen's Pier, and Police Pier at 2.15 and 2.30 p.m. respectively.  
July 26—Entertainment of song and dance by the J-Pans in Seamen's Institute, 21 Praya East, 8.30 p.m.  
Lammert's Auction.  
July 25—Valuable household furniture at No. 9 Queen's Garden (ground floor), 2.45 p.m.  
August 4—Household furniture, pictures, curios, etc., of the late Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens, No. 5, Peak Road, 11 a.m.  
September 15—Valuable properties in the New Territories, at Messrs. Lammert's Sales Room, 8, Duddell Street, 3 p.m.  
Meetings.  
July 25—Meeting of Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., 11 a.m.  
July 26—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.  
July 26—Annual meeting of members of the Peak Club, at the Club, 6 p.m.  
Miscellaneous.  
July 24—Theosophical Society Bathing picnic, Queen's Pier, 3.45 p.m.  
July 24—Social gathering at St. John's Cathedral Hall after evening song.

## The third year is the testing time of all parliaments.—Mr. Lloyd George.

## NOTICE.

On TUESDAY NEXT, 26th July, at 8.30 p.m., in the SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE, 21, Praya East, The "J-PANS," led by MISS VIOLET CAPELL, will give an Entertainment of Song and Dance. Admission free. Collection for Charities.

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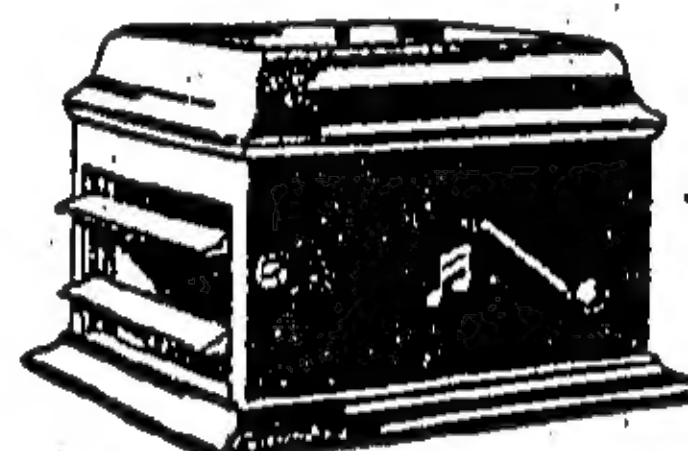
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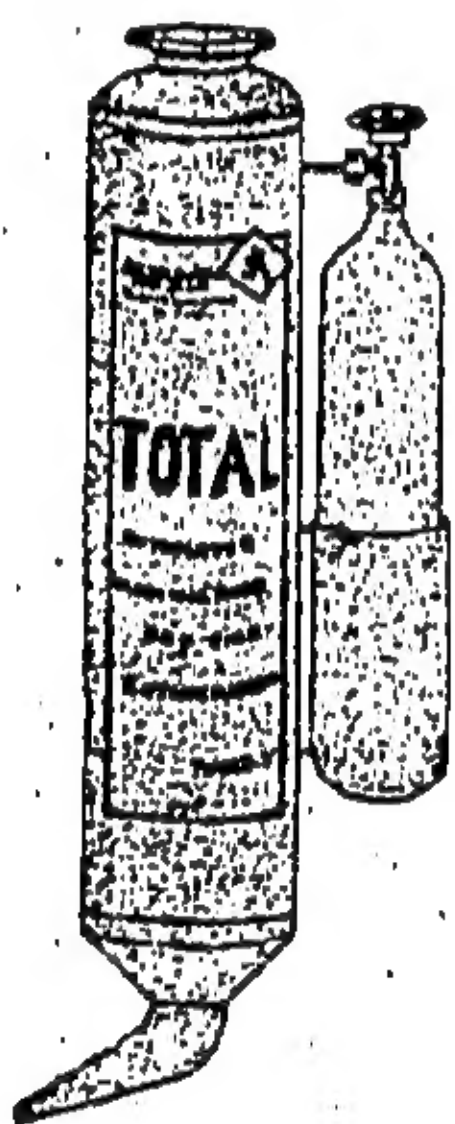
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## A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

At long last it seems that a definite move is to be made against the out-and-out Communists who have been over-running Hankow and other Yangtze ports for the best part of six months. Together with foreigners, the main military factions are beginning to realise that the first step towards the salvation of China must necessarily be the extermination of the Borodin-Eugene Chen clique.

With this end in view, political experts see the imminence of a north and south truce, with the Communists as the common enemy. How the hotch-potch Chinese situation has materialised into something definite is fully told in this week's "Overland Mail."

This issue also contains the cream of the local news of the week. It will keep those at Home in touch with what is happening in Hong Kong, in China and throughout the Far East generally. Let us mail it for you.

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**"THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL."**

## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Five Russians have been arrested by the Tientsin police in connection with the theft of valuable furs from the premises of Messrs. Jens and Co., Council Road.

It is understood that there has been a "cut" in the price of petrol, the benefit of which will be experienced by local residents and will apply to all brands. The retail prices for Shell Motor Spirit are now as follows: per case (containing two tins), \$7.35; per two tins (without case), \$7.20; per imperial gallon in bulk 80 cents.

Scollard requires a new dictionary—her worthy "Jamieson" being now past patching-up again, says J. L. Garvin in the "Observer." The new work, on which co-operative scholarship is embarking, will take the language from 1,700 onwards. It will dovetail with the dictionary that Dr. Craigie is preparing of the older tongue, and will itself be organised on the historical principle. It is important that all the leading dialects of Scotland should be fully recorded before their popular use has too far shrunk. The Aberdeenshire Scotch of Charles Murray differs visibly from the Angus Scotch of Violet Jacob, and both from the Ayrshire Scotch of Burns. The differences, moreover, are strongly suggestive of type, and their proper study would probably bear racial inferences. It might even tell us at last who the Pict was and where he went to.

The adventurous career of Franz Ferdinand Bertram, aged fifty-five, a man who had gone through no fewer than twenty professions, has been disclosed in a Vienna Court. He claimed to be the son of a deceased member of the German Reichstag. In his youth he appeared successfully in various German theatres, and acted as stage-manager. He then turned to the film, and as the "great film industrialist," Dr. Franz Ferdinand, started some dubious transactions. After that, he dealt in horses, bred pigs and dogs, produced sausages, reared poultry, and attempted to open a sanatorium. Then he tried his hand at a few more professions. His whole capital consisted of his title "doctor," which he had acquired at an Italian University. Finally he got into trouble as a forwarding agent and was sentenced to three months.

\$130 in banknotes is reported to have been stolen from the pocket of a Chinese travelling between Hong Kong and Yumatt on the Yumatt ferry yesterday.



Maj. Gen. Lutz Wahl, of Milwaukee, Wis., the new adjutant general of the United States Army.

The re-introduction of half-penny tram-fares in Glasgow gives a leg-up to a coin that has fallen on evil times, remarks a London paper. Almost the only thing that can be done with a halfpenny today is to keep it till you get another. That it will frank a receipt for larger sums through the post, only emphasises its outcast condition.

An appeal by the warden of a Women's Settlement in Canning Town, a dreary region near the London Docks, for help to provide window-boxes (writes "Looker-On" in the "Daily Chronicle") has surprised a friend of mine and may have puzzled others. One difficulty is to get soil. In few parts of London is it possible to find earth in which anything will grow. Then seeds and plants have to be bought. People might buy these for themselves; the soil is really the main part of the problem.

A Chinese woman was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to the head caused through falling through a window at 533 Canton Road, Kowloon.

At the annual meeting of the St. Giles' Christian Mission at the Mansion House, the Recorder of London, Sir Ernest Wild, K.C., who presided, said: "Crime must be properly dealt with, and in certain cases severely punished. That, however, was no reason why the element of mercy should not enter in; there was good reason why the young offender should be saved from his folly and the old offender given a chance after serving his sentence."

Mail week saw the tenth anniversary of battle of Messines, the battle in which we exploded nineteen great mines, the simultaneous explosion of which was heard by Mr. Lloyd George at Walton Heath. One who has seen the Messines battlefield recently, says that the great mine craters remain despite efforts on the part of the Belgians to fill one in. They have been transformed into lakes and young trees are appearing on the banks of them. Here are perhaps, the only considerable signs of the war which are likely to endure to show that modern warfare can actually alter the geography of the countryside.

The resignation of Mr. Frank Hodges of his post as secretary of the International Federation of Miners is not quite the victory for Mr. Cook that it may appear to be. It seems that Mr. Cook anticipated a refusal of his demand for Mr. Hodges' removal, and would have preferred to put into action his alternative course of taking the British miners out of the Federation and allying them exclusively to the Russian miners. By resigning, Mr. Hodges has removed Mr. Cook's grievance, and thus he cannot very well proceed with his fondly cherished plan of closer union with Russia. Thus, far from having achieved a victory, Mr. Cook has suffered defeat, except for the personal satisfaction he may gain from depriving Mr. Hodges of his office.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Richard Cumming, a well-known merchant in Sydney, Australia, has arrived Shanghai.

Mr. G. C. G. Muller has been appointed to act as First Assistant Secretary (A), Straits Settlements.

Mr. H. V. Townner has been appointed Colonial Engineer and Mr. G. Sturrock Deputy Colonial Engineer, Singapore.

Dr. Mrs. and Miss MacGillivray have left Shanghai for Wei-hai-wei, where they will stay with Mrs. J. Niven.

By the "Porthos" last Wednesday morning the Consul General for Portugal and Senhora Ferreira returned to Singapore from their trip to China and Japan.

The death occurred at Amoy on July 14, of Mr. John Shipway Shields, a very old resident. Seventy-eight years of age, the late Mr. Shields first arrived in China in 1875, joining the Customs Revenue cruiser "Cheng-tu" as a gunner.

The Chinese papers in Hankow have published a report stated to have come from Peking to the effect that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has issued a mandate for the release of all prisoners undergoing penalties for major crimes with the exception of Mme. Borodin and her three compatriots.

Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., of Hong Kong, who graduated at Oxford last year after having obtained Honours at the Honour School of Jurisprudence there was, on June 29 last, called to the Bar by the Benchers of the Middle Temple in London. He passed his Bar Final Examination in May last, also with Honours. He is just 23 years of age.

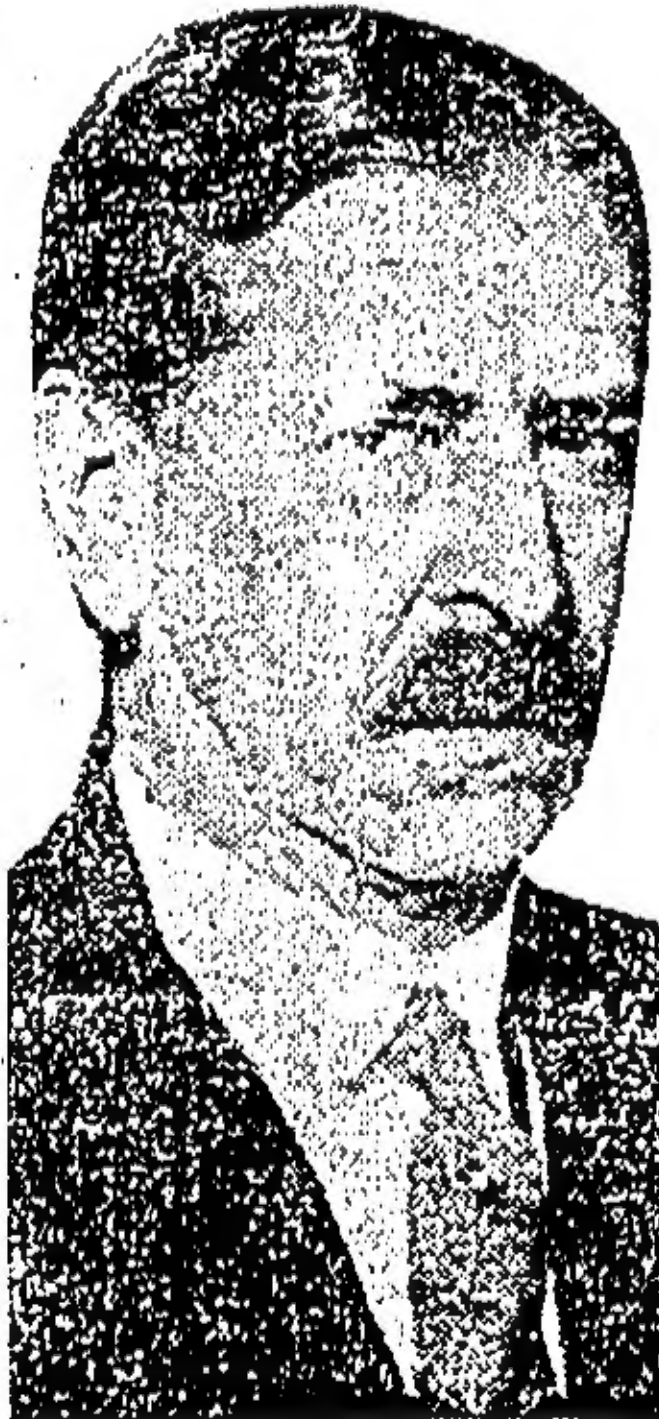
Since his arrival in Singapore in December last from Batavia, Mr. Owang Kee, the new Consul-General for China, has not been in good health, and he is forced to return to China next month. His successor has been named in the person of Mr. Li Tchien, the Second Secretary of the Chinese Legation in Paris, and he is expected to arrive on July 24 by the "Chenon-ceaux" from Marseilles.

Mrs. W. R. Johnson, daughter of Judge Milton D. Purdy, of the United States Court for China, left Shanghai on the "Empress of Asia" for America. She plans to join her mother in Minneapolis, their former home, where she will visit for a time before joining her husband, who will leave Shanghai on a later boat. They will spend some time in New York and eastern states.

Mr. John M. Hykes left Shanghai last Saturday for a short business trip to America.

Mr. T. H. U. Aldridge, engineer-in-chief of the Electricity Department, Shanghai, has left for Home.

Mr. W. T. Thorne, manager of the Shanghai branch of Messrs. Allen and Hanbury, has sailed for Home.



Senator Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia, who is a recent speech came out for a navy "second" in none a real war instead of a blue-print organization.

Mr. A. Kelly Davies has left Shanghai for Unzen on sick leave, after being under treatment at Shanghai General Hospital. He is accompanied by his wife.

Mr. Harry Maxwell, who has been the Danish Consul in Kobe and Osaka for the past nine years, tendered his resignation of the post upon joining the staff of General Motors Japan, Ltd., Osaka, and Mr. Paul Jorgensen now is in charge of the Consulate in the capacity of acting Consul.

Edinburgh Town Council have decided to confer the freedom of the city upon the Hon. Alanson Bigelow Houghton, the United States Ambassador to Great Britain, in appreciation of his visit for the purpose of handing over the war memorial presented by men and women of Scottish blood in the U.S.A. Lord Provost Stevenson said a very large number of Americans were coming over by special steamer to take part in the celebration.

Mr. A. C. Townsend, of Shanghai, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute.

Among recent appointments by the Secretary of State for the Colonies is Dr. T. W. Ware as Medical Officer, Hong Kong.

The engagement is announced of Miss Valerie B. O. Roth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Valentin Roth to Mr. Percival Goffe, of Shanghai.

Mr. L. E. Aveling, who is to take up the position of First Secretary of the British Legation in Peking, has arrived at the capital.

Misses Kathleen and Gertrude Simmons, of Hong Kong, are in Shanghai visiting their sister, Mrs. B. A. Proulx. They arrived on the "President Grant."

Mr. J. A. Feeney, Chief Inspector of Police, Kedah, is retiring from the service on pension next month. He will be succeeded by Chief Inspector E. P. Colgan, from Perak.

His Majesty's approval of the appointments of the Hon. Mr. J. B. C. Henderson and the Hon. Sir David Galloway as Unofficial Members of the Singapore Legislative Council has been received.

Mr. Harry O. White, prominent Shanghai broker and head of the firm of White and Company, and Mrs. White sailed on the "Empress of Canada" on a vacation to be spent in the United States, England and other parts of Europe.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Arthur Ernest Jago, son of the late Mr. F. E. Jago and of Mrs. Jago, formerly of Singapore, and Owen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Davies, of 25, Colingham-Gardens, S.W., was to take place on June 29, at St. Margaret's Westminster.

Capt. C. H. Steele, M.L., A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, leaves for Home by the "Macedonia," to-day on account of ill-health. Capt. Steele has had a distinguished Army career. He served during the war with the Royal Irish Fusiliers, winning the Military Cross at Paschendale and adding a bar to it at Ypres. After the Armistice he served in North-west Persia against the Bolsheviks and rejoined his battalion later on the outbreak of hostilities in Mesopotamia. He also took part in the operations against the rebels of the Nile Delta before he returned to his Depot in Ireland. Nearly two years afterwards he was appointed A.D.C. to H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi shortly after the latter's arrival in Hong Kong.

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## SPORTS

## HOME CRICKET.

## SURREY WELL DEATEN BY HAMPSHIRE.

"PATSY" HENDREN'S 140.

London, July 22. Hampshire defeated Surrey by nine wickets at Bournemouth. Surrey scored 228, Kennedy taking six for 77, and 165, Newman taking seven for 87. Hampshire made 268, Geary taking six for 50, and 126 for one (Brown 81 and 65). Leicestershire defeated Sussex at Brighton by three wickets. Sussex scored 223 and 177. Leicestershire made 215 and 186 for seven.

## Points for Gloucester.

Gloucester beat Middlesex at Lords on the first innings. Gloucester made 275, Haig taking six for 48, and 301 (Hammond 88 and 47). Middlesex scored 280 for nine (Hendren 140).

## Lancashire Wins.

Lancashire beat Northamptonshire at Manchester on the first innings. Lancashire scored 284 for nine declared, and 142 for one. Northants made 267.

## Four For 11.

Kent, at Tunbridge Wells, defeated Warwickshire on the first innings. Kent scored 170, Partridge taking four wickets for 11 runs. Warwick made 128 for three.

## Yorks Win.

Yorkshire took first innings points from Worcestershire at Worcester. Yorks scored 228 and 18 for two wickets. Worcester made 190.

## Visitors Play Army.

The New Zealanders, at Folkestone, got the better of the Army, scoring 184 to the Army's 179 for five.—Reuter.

## HOME GOLF.

## EXHIBITION FOUR BALL MATCH.

Epsom, July 22. In an exhibition four ball match between 3,000 spectators Jones and Kirkwood beat Tolley and Wethered 1-0.

In the afternoon Tolley and Kirkwood halved with Jones and Wethered.—Reuter.

## Glencagles Tourney.

Glencagles, July 22. In the third round: Ray beat Kitch 1-0.

Havers beat Twiss 3-2. Whitcombe beat Ockenden 6-5.

Cotton beat Young 2-1. In the semi-finals: Ray beat Havers 5-4.

Whitcombe beat Cotton 3-2.—Reuter.

## DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

## FRANCE ELIMINATES DENMARK.

Copenhagen, July 22. France eliminated Denmark from the Davis Cup and meets the winner of the American Zone final.

Borotra and Brugnon beat Peter and Ulrich 6-4, 6-0 6-3.

Borotra beat Axel Petersen 6-3, 6-2, 6-1, 6-0.—Reuter.

## GREYHOUND MEET.

## ABANDONED AT HULL.

London, July 3. The first greyhound race meeting was abandoned through a series of accidents. Dogs competing in the second race caught the electric hare. The leaders passing the post shot through the trap door into the pit before the control operator could slam the door.

In the third race the bogy to which the hare was attached ran off the rails and the hare stopped in the middle of the track, although the dogs ignored it and ran on. The race was declared void and the programme was abandoned.

## SCULLING DASHES.

Jack Beresford's Success.

London, June 2. Sculling dashes of approximately 400 yards, organized by the Vesta Club, were won by Jack Beresford, who beat Collett in the first heat by a length in 1 min. 20 secs.

In the second heat he beat H. Edwards (London) by a length in 1 min. 24 secs.

Edwards had previously beaten Collett.

## LOCAL SOCCER.

## R.A.M.C. PLAYING C.A.A. THIS AFTERNOON.

There will be a friendly football match between the R.A.M.C. and the C.A.A. at 5.45 p.m. at Sookum-pan today. This match has, by the courtesy of the South China Command Sports Board, been allotted to the R.A.M.C. Amateur Athletic Federation, in which the net receipts will go to swell the funds of the latter are raising to send a delegation to the Far Eastern Olympiad. Therefore this match, instead of being under the usual joint supervision of the S.C.C.S.B. and C.A.A., will be played under the auspices of the H.K.C.A.A.F.

The R.A.M.C.'s records are not yet known, but their team will probably include some seasoned players who are well versed in the conditions and style of play of the Colony. The name of the veteran interpreter, Mr. Sims, is being mentioned to be in their line-up tomorrow, and it will be no surprise if a few familiar players of the Colony who belong to the Corps are to be seen in play also.

The C.A.A. will be as usual: Pau Kuei-ping, Lau Mow, Lo Wai-mun, Ho Cho-yin, Lum Yuk-ying, Ng Po-lau, Lee Bing-tong, Suen Kam-shun, Wong Pak-chong, Choy Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen.

## LOCAL GOLF.

## ROYAL H.K.G.C. v. JUNIOR SECTION.

The following starting times for the match between the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club and the Junior Section have been arranged for tomorrow:—

9.16, J. W. Franks (7) v. F. E. Book (10).

9.20, F. J. de Rome (7) v. J. Luing (10).

9.24, F. A. Redmond (7) v. R. C. Wallace (14).

9.28, E. D. Matthews (9) v. P. Morrison (16).

9.32, T. S. Whyte-Smith (10) v. G. McLeod (14).

9.36, D. G. Bruce (10) v. F. Glover (18).

9.40, A. O. Brawn (10) v. A. C. Goldenberg (16).

9.44, J. S. MacLaren (12) v. J. McBride (18).

All matches are to be played to a finish. Strokes on holes after the eighteenth will be taken at holes where received in the first round. Scores will be presented to individual winners.

## QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

## FENCING AND BOXING DISPLAY.

A display of boxing and fencing was given in the hall of Queen's College yesterday. Mr. K. Jenner acted as referee, and Mr. W. Wallington as timekeeper. Each event was contested in a manner which reflected great credit on Sgt. "Kid" Marriott, who trained the boys.

At the close, Mr. A. H. Crook presented medals to the winners in the various classes, and also took the opportunity of giving away books as rewards for the painting and drawing competition.

The prize winners were: Boxing, Middle-Weights, Tung Chi-yin. Light-Weights, Ho Sin.

Feather-Weights, A. H. Ismail. Heavy-Weights, Chiu Shin-kwong.

Bantam-Weights, Kitchell. Fly-Weights, Sadick.

Catch-Weights, Bashir Ahmed. Good Losers, Ip Kun-fan, H. G. Kew, and Leung Shin-kwan.

Fencing, Bashir Ahmed, and H. O. Sin.

## WATER POLO.

## QUESTION OF RAISING ENTRY FEES.

The question of raising the entrance fee was discussed at yesterday's meeting of the Water Polo Association yesterday.

Mr. C. J. Cooke occupied the chair. There were present representatives from the K. O. S. Borderers, Scottish Guards, Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association and the V. R. C.

Mr. Lyon brought up for discussion the question of increasing the entrance fees which was at present \$5 per team. He spoke of the expenses of procuring medals for the winning teams and said that it was hardly fair for the Association to be constantly supplied with funds by the V. R. C.

Mr. Ralston suggested that funds could be raised by promoting exhibition games, to which Mr. Cooke pointed out that it would be unfair for the non-playing members of the V. R. C. for the Association to utilise the bath more than twice weekly.

It was decided that the entries close on Monday, August 1, and that a further meeting to discuss the entries be held the following day.

## THE LOSER.



Jack Sharkey, of Boston.

Tunney that he was a short arm puncher? He must think he's Sam Langford. If I can't name 50 fighters with a better short punch than Tunney I'll eat my shirt.

## No Fixed Style.

"Anyone who has watched me will tell me that I have no fixed style. I use one method against a certain kind of fighter and another method under different circumstances. I have never yet fought two men alike. If I had my way I'd fight Tunney next Thursday and keep this Dempsey fellow out 60 days later.

"In fact I'd like to meet both of them one after the other in the same ring. That would be fun, I'll show Tunney whether I simply box up and down when I fight. If I choose to bob, I'll bob and beat him. And if I decide to stand up and fight him, I'll beat him that way.

"Tunney says I have a tendency to cut loose and fight hard. That's exactly right. I like to fight and I laugh when I read that Tunney says no fighter has ever been able to mix with him.

## Look Like a Duffer.

"Will Gene kindly tell me whom he ever beat? Jack Dempsey? Only a shadow of Jack Dempsey. I saw that fight and it was the worst I ever saw. Spalla the Italian had Tunney beaten when the referee stopped the fight because Spalla had a cut over one eye. Little Harry Greb made Tunney look like a duffer every time they fought."

"Do you think you can beat Dempsey? He was asked. "Say, if Tunney beat him," said Sharkey. "I'll just naturally annihilate him. Dempsey may get himself into better condition than he was last year but I doubt it. He has another year on his shoulders."

"And so has Tunney. Neither Dempsey nor Tunney has had a fight in him for so long they've almost forgotten how I've met everyone who would enter the ring with. Wills had Dempsey scared stiff; now look at him."

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## Second Night Fete.

The second night fete of the season will be held next Saturday when there will be the usual number of events. Unlike the previous fete there will not be any post entries for the Ladies, Boys and High Diving Events.

A water polo match had been arranged between the Army and the Navy.

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There used to be a time when clubs were run with a secretary, who could be styled, if you like, secretary-manager. Things went easily enough then; the separate office of secretary and manager, I find, has created not a little friction between the pair, which, at times arises from inability to decide whose authority counts. Sunderland and Newcastle United know how to go about things with Bob Kyle and Frank Wyatt in supreme command.

From Nelson to Bury. By the way, in these recent transactions of office I am pleased to see the advancement of Percy Smith from the management of Nelson to that of Bury.

The former Preston North End secretary-half-back is one of those players who has made a good job of management, in spite of the fact that many hold the opinion that actual experience of the game has not meant success in the new role.

Against this it can be pointed out that Peter McWilliam, Herbert Chapman, and Billy McCracken have something of a name for efficiency. Most of the modern managers appointed have come from the first-class ranks of playing experience.

It does not follow, of course, that because a man has been a player he is an expert at finding others and in the work of polishing them up to be classic diamonds, but it does stand to reason that this type should know more about football and football team management than a director who has never played.

Believe me, there are heaps of them whose qualification for office is a deep pocket and an influential position, more or less.

Sympathies With the Small Men. My sympathy is with the men who carry the small clubs on their shoulders, who are never going to get a penny of their money back while there are some today who may soon see their ambitions crashing by the inability to carry on.

All the unrest in the internal affairs of clubs is bound to reflect on the players, for they learn to look for differences when difficulties arise and points are being lost.

It is the simplest thing in the world to manage a good and a winning team, except that one must allow too much credit to be given to the partial eclipse of the directors. There is never any doubt whose fault it is when everything is going wrong.

A Suggestion Why. But why these breaches between clubs and their managers have arisen all of a heap recently I cannot quite fathom. I have said how breaks are liable, but what these constant changes mean beats me.

I might throw out just one suggestion—that competition has come to a tremendous pitch and organization must be very perfect, and even at its best there is apt to crop up a problem of insufficient points.

Cups and points are the barometer to a club's well-being. On the field there is always the human element and the luck of the game.

The League has never been the same since the inclusion of the Third Division, and especially the Northern Section. The inclusion of more clubs has meant a reduced standard of play. More players have been needed, but there is not the same demand for quality all the way round. Nor is there the same encouragement with small wages.

It is a pretty serious state of things with the Third Division in the North when a club retain players and are unable to pay summer wages.

Third Division Uncertainty. There is no certainty about the future of these clubs. One may drop out and another come in. The number of them ready to commit a form of commercial suicide is remarkable.

What I have said may sound discouraging to the progress of football, but the way I look at it is this; the Northern Section at least is bound continually to be in financial low water, with the situation yearly becoming worse.

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There used to be a time when clubs were run with a secretary, who could be styled, if you like, secretary-manager. Things went easily enough then; the separate office of secretary and manager, I find, has created not a little friction between the pair, which, at times arises from inability to decide whose authority counts. Sunderland and Newcastle United know how to go about things with Bob Kyle and Frank Wyatt in supreme command.

From Nelson to Bury. By the way, in these recent transactions of office I am pleased to see the advancement of Percy Smith from the management of Nelson to that of Bury.

The former Preston North End secretary-half-back is one of those players who has made a good job of management, in spite of the fact that many hold the opinion that actual experience of the game has not meant success in the new role.

Against this it can be pointed out that Peter McWilliam, Herbert Chapman, and Billy McCracken have something of a name for efficiency. Most of the modern managers appointed have come from the first-class ranks of playing experience.

It does not follow, of course, that because a man has been a player he is an expert at finding others and in the work of polishing them up to be classic diamonds, but it does stand to reason that this type should know more about football and football team management than a director who has never played.

Believe me, there are heaps of them whose qualification for office is a deep pocket and an influential position, more or less.

Sympathies With the Small Men. My sympathy is with the men who carry the small clubs on their shoulders, who are never going to get a penny of their money back while there are some today who may soon see their ambitions crashing by the inability to carry on.

All the unrest in the internal affairs of clubs is bound to reflect on the players, for they learn to look for differences when difficulties arise and points are being lost.

It is the simplest thing in the world to manage a good and a winning team, except that one must allow too much credit to be given to the partial eclipse of the directors. There is never any doubt whose fault it is when everything is going wrong.

A Suggestion Why. But why these breaches between clubs and their managers have arisen all of a heap recently I cannot quite fathom. I have said how breaks are liable, but what these constant changes mean beats me.

I might throw out just one suggestion—that competition has come to a tremendous pitch and organization must be very perfect, and even at its best there is apt to crop up a problem of insufficient points.

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Nearly a Hundred Centuries. Unhappily, except H. K., the other members of the family have had short careers in county cricket, though R. E. was captain one year and M. K. two years. Between them they have scored nearly one hundred centuries for the county.

It might also be mentioned that the husband and the son of a former Miss Foster, namely, W. W. Greenstock, and W. E. Greenstock, have also played for the county.

C. K. Foster, who is now 22 years of age, was educated at Malvern College, but unlike his seven uncles, he did not get into the eleven, because in his years the College was particularly strong in batting. Yet he was by no means a negligible cricketer. Since he left the college for business in London he has played with some success for Free Foresters, and last year he was a member of the M.C.C. team which toured Ireland.

In the Middlesex match, in which all the batsmen had to struggle for runs, he had only one short innings. In a few minutes at the crease he seemed to have the stance and something of the style of the incomparable R. E. Foster, whom he resembles a little in height and in personal appearance.

Not many families can boast such an intimate and long-sustained connection with a county's cricket as the Fosters. The Blighs, of Kent, and the Haywards, of Surrey, however, furnish instances, and probably in the near future it will be possible to add the Gunns, of Nottinghamshire, to the list.

PING-PONG. A large number of spectators were present when a return ping-pong match was played between the South China Athletic Association and the Wah Yee Old Boys Union last night in the 7th floor of China Building. It was keenly contested, as with the exception of two, all the players on both sides have been champions of various clubs or associations. The Wah Yee Old Boys scored 78 points against 66.

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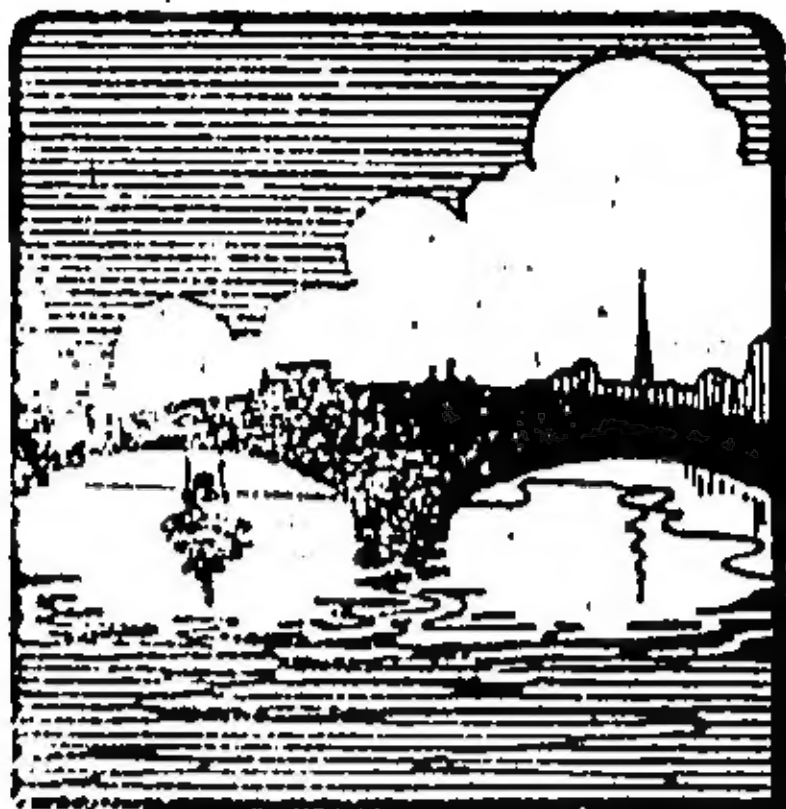
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## MOTORING SECTION

## MOTOR TOPICS.

## ROYAL VISIT TO MORRIS WORKS.

Mr. Thornton Rutter writes in the "Daily Telegraph":—  
Great interest was displayed by the Prince of Wales in his recent informal visit to the Morris motor works at Cowley, where a few days previously Mr. W. R. Morris had completed the construction of his 200,000th car. The Prince has always been an enthusiastic motorist, driving himself frequently, and has considerable knowledge of motor-car construction and the details of many makes of cars. He followed every operation, and was particularly impressed with the tyre-fitting department, where he was astonished and amused at the skill, speed and performance of the hands, nicknamed "Tiny" on account of his gigantic stature, who fitted the tyres without the aid of levers, which are usually required.

His Royal Highness has consented to open the Scottish Motor Exhibition in the rebuilt Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, on the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 4, and to attend the annual dinner of the Royal Scottish Automobile Club in the evening. This will be the first to be opened by a Royal personage. No doubt the fact that the Prince sent one of his carriages to the used-car show at the Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, considerably helped to make that exhibition a commercial success. The speeding-up of the sale of second-hand motors is greatly desired in the interests alike of the manufacturer, the dealer, and the motor-owning public. The success of the London second-hand motor vehicle exhibition and market evoked the approval of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders for the holding of a similar display at Bingley Hall, Birmingham, from June 23 to July 2. The exhibitors of second-hand cars for sale was confined to traders of Birmingham and the Birmingham home counties, although there was also a section open to any private owner to display his car for sale. A system of certification of condition similar to that at the Royal Agricultural Hall show of second-hand cars was in force at this Birmingham display. The management was in the hands of Mr. William Glass, who organised the London show.

American advisers bring the news of a further reduction of the price of motor spirit in the U.S.A., and of a largely-increased oil production from the wells in that country. The opinion is expressed that Great Britain will now be able to obtain its supplies still cheaper than at the moment of writing. Consequently the situation may lead to a further reduction of a penny or so per gallon.

## 10,000 Mile Trip.

An unconventional 10,000-mile four-month honeymoon trip has just been completed by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dorney, of Brisbane, Australia, who have toured round the continent in a 15-h.p. Overland Crossley Whipper. The route included hundreds of miles which had never before been traversed by car. Road conditions were, of course, appalling, while the weather ranged from burning sunshine to torrential rain. In many of the worst areas the travelling speed of the car averaged no more than 8 miles per hour in bottom gear, while pot holes and gullies put the springing to extraordinary tests. The lead included a cinematograph projector, 5,000 feet of film, 75 yards of wire rope, a seven-gallon tank of water two rifles and ammunition, a camping outfit, and on one occasion sufficient petrol for 1,000 miles running. In spite of it all the Overland Crossley Whipper finished its four months' ordeal without any mechanical trouble, without boiling once, and without the starting handle having been used—a wonderful tribute to the stamina of the car. The fleet of six-cylinder Crossley cars having proved their efficiency and reliability as the official conveyances of the Duke and Duchess of York in their Australasian tour, London agents seem to be very busy just now organising special exhibitions of the Crossley "Six." Messrs. Archie Simons and Co., of the Philharmonic Hall, have just completed a fortnight's display of this model with all types of coachwork, and this was followed by a similar show by Henleys, at Devonshire House, and by the Motorists' Advisory Agency, of Wigmore Street.

## Safety Precautions.

This week the motoring public are busily engaged in preparing for a short holiday tour. The result is that all the factories are endeavouring to create new records in output and delivery of new cars. The new extension to the Willesden works of the Triplex Safety Glass Company has enabled a greater number of unsplinterable glass screens and windshields to be delivered, although the demand from the aviation side, for both Triplex goggles and screens, is very heavy. Since Triplex safety glass has been improved, so that it retains its white cleanness and does not develop a slightly yellow tinge, its popularity has largely increased. Closed cars are gaining in general favour, and all sensible motorists insist upon Triplex safety unsplinterable glass being fitted in place of the ordinary plate glass, which has been the cause of serious injury to passengers when cars have met with accidents on the road.

Another item of safety with which motorists are equipping their cars is the Pyrene fire extinguisher. That firm's manufacturers of all kinds of appliances for protection from fire has introduced a "Junior" Pyrene extinguisher for small cars. It is half the size and capacity of the ordinary Pyrene, but, like its bigger brother, works instantly by means of its double acting rotating pump. It will enable the light car owner to put out a fire which has started in the carburettor from a back-fire, or other cause just as quickly as the owners of large cars can do with the larger model. Being light and handy, and not taking up more than about a foot of space in length, this new Junior Pyrene can easily be carried in a convenient position on the vehicle, and its price is small compared with the security it provides. Motorists also are reminded that they should test the tap for turning off the petrol to the carburettor, as, should a fire be started, the first protective act is to shut off the flow of spirit to the carburettor. Then smother the flames with the Pyrene.

Anti-glare front-screen visors and smoked or coloured spectacle glasses are other safety appliances that motorists are adding to their equipment. The reflected sun glare from the modern water-proofed road in daytime and the rays of headlamps from other cars at night make some protection of this character necessary. Quite recently a motorist was summoned at the Brampton Police Court for driving negligently, and he made the excuse that the sun was in his eyes and caused him to collide with a motor-cycle. This circumstance was taken into consideration as mitigating the offence, and, as the car was being driven very slowly at the time, the case was dismissed on the payment of costs. But this motorist was fortunate in the magistrate, and his experience must not be regarded as a precedent. It is much safer to provide oneself with smoked glasses than run any risks.

It cannot be disputed that the increase in the number of vehicles using the streets and highways has caused a very number of minor casualties to private cars, such as damaged front and rear wings and buckled luggage-ridges. While there may be no serious damage, such mishaps spoil the appearance of the car and add to the expense of repairs, for it is scarcely worth while troubling the insurance companies about many such accidents. In consequence shock-guards or "bumpers" are being fitted more generally. These bumpers or buffers can now be purchased and fitted for a few pounds, and, although they do not protect a car from being damaged when a severe accident or collision takes place, they save many times over the expense of their fitting by preventing the vehicle's appearance being damaged in minor collisions. The point to be observed in fitting these protective buffers is to choose a type of bumper that will spring, bend, or be bent before the chassis frame, for too stout a bumper resists the shock and, as something has to give way, the dumb irons or the frame members get distorted. Touring motorists would be well advised to fit buffers, as they add only about eight or nine inches to the length of the wheel-base when fitted both at the front and rear of the motor-carriage.

## HOT WEATHER DISEASES.

Disorders of the bowels are extremely dangerous, particularly during the hot weather of the summer months and in order to protect yourself and family against a sudden attack, get a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. It can be depended upon. For sale everywhere.

## BRAKING SYSTEMS.

## THE SERVO BRAKING EXPLAINED.

"What is meant by servo braking?" This is a question that is frequently asked nowadays, owing to the fact that some form of power-assisted brake is fitted to a considerable number of 1927 models. The origin of the term "servo brake" is somewhat obscure, but as ordinarily used its meaning may be defined as follows:—A servo brake is one in which a force, which may be produced by the frictional drag of a rotating part, engine suction, or some similar agency, assists the driver in the task of applying the shoes to the drums.

For some considerable time there has been a tendency to reduce driving fatigue by providing lighter controls; thus, steering gears are being provided with bigger levers, clutches with comparatively light springs are in general use and much has been done to reduce the pressure required on the brake pedal. This braking pressure can be cut down considerably by eliminating friction in the operating gear so far as possible and by increasing the leverage to the maximum extent.

There is, however, a definite limit to an increase of leverage, because of the fact that the pedal travel cannot be unduly prolonged. Thus, if it is desired to halve the pedal pressure required by doubling the leverage, then the designer must face the fact that this alteration will entail doubling the distance through which the pedal must be depressed in order to supply the brakes.

The same end can, however, be obtained without increasing the pedal travel if some additional mechanism is introduced and arranged in such a way that the application of a given force to the brake pedal by the driver automatically brings into play a force of the same or even greater magnitude to supplement the driver's effort. In order to retain safety in brake operation, it is, of course, necessary that this auxiliary braking agency should act in strict proportion to the pedal pressure employed, so that the driver always knows the exact degree of braking which the pressure of his foot is going to produce.

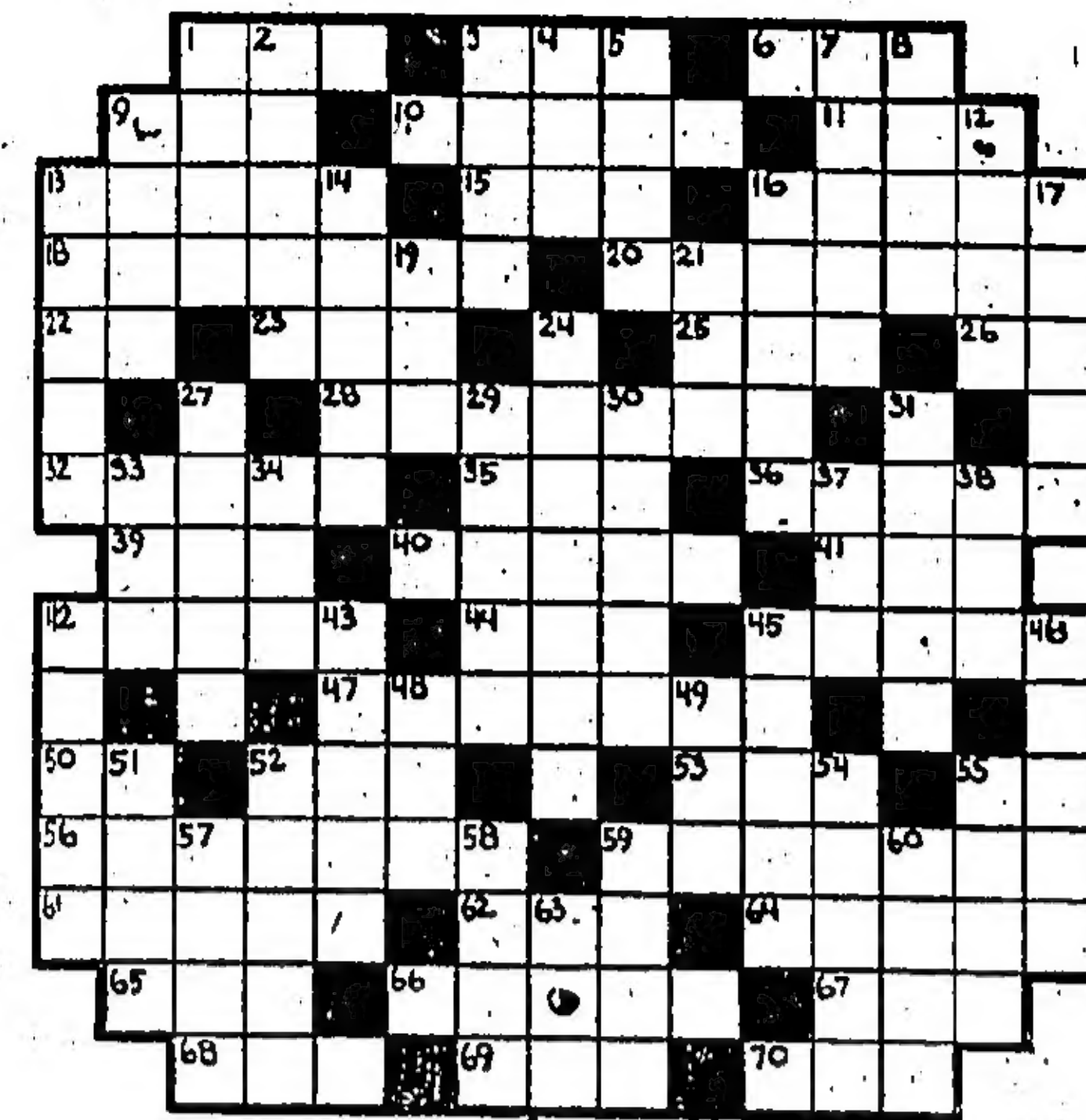
The simplest form of servo brake is embodied in the drum itself, and usually consists of a special mounting of the shoes. Broadly speaking, matters are so arranged that the driver's foot-pressure applies one shoe to each drum, and so soon as this shoe makes contact, it tends to be dragged round in the direction in which the drum is rotating. This frictional drag is then utilised to force a second shoe into contact with the drum, such an arrangement approximately doubling the retardation produced for a given pedal pressure.

When two shoes are arranged in such a fashion as to produce the desired amplification of braking effect when the car is running forwards, it is usually found that the servo shoe acts against the driver when the car runs backwards. This means that when the car is being driven in reverse an inordinately large pedal pressure is needed in order to bring it to a stop. For this reason servo brakes have recently been developed in which three shoes are employed in each drum—one applied by the driver, one servo shoe for forward running and another servo shoe for running in reverse.

Another important system of servo braking is one in which a servo motor is employed, which is brought into action by the application of the brake pedal and which takes over the duty of applying the actual brake shoes. On many large cars, such as the Hispano-Suiza, Sunbeam, Renault and Rolls-Royce, the servo motor resembles a multiple-disc clutch driven from the gearbox with the plates normally disengaged; applying the brake pedal brings the plates into contact with one another, as a result of which they tend to rotate a casing, which operates the brake

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## HORIZONTAL

- 1-A small barrel
- 3-A zone of the body
- 4-Behind
- 5-Stir
- 10-A body of water
- 11-To hang down
- 12-Pertaining to the sun
- 13-A nautical solution
- 14-U-intersected
- 15-Idle
- 16-Dead
- 17-Preposition
- 18-A mark of identification
- 19-A sunken track
- 20-Country of Europe (abbr.)
- 21-Hold
- 22-A number of vessels
- 23-Ampulsion
- 24-Implied
- 25-A greasy liquid
- 26-An acid
- 27-A compound of one or more electrons
- 28-A rock island
- 29-A title
- 30-Time of a fork
- 31-View
- 32-Railroad (abbr.)

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 33-A common dog
- 34-Everything
- 35-Negative answer
- 36-Meets the explosive
- 37-Swept down
- 38-A mollusk with a spiral shell
- 39-Head covering
- 40-A sound
- 41-Not brilliant
- 42-Automobile
- 43-Fixed
- 44-Recent
- 45-Vitality
- 46-Affirmative answer
- 47-Even for baking pottery
- 48-Piece
- 49-A small stream of water
- 50-A creeping vine
- 51-Honey-gathering insect (pl.)
- 52-To put in circulation
- 53-Severed violently
- 54-To debate
- 55-Wooden pins
- 56-A tile
- 57-Railroad (abbr.)
- 58-To act in response

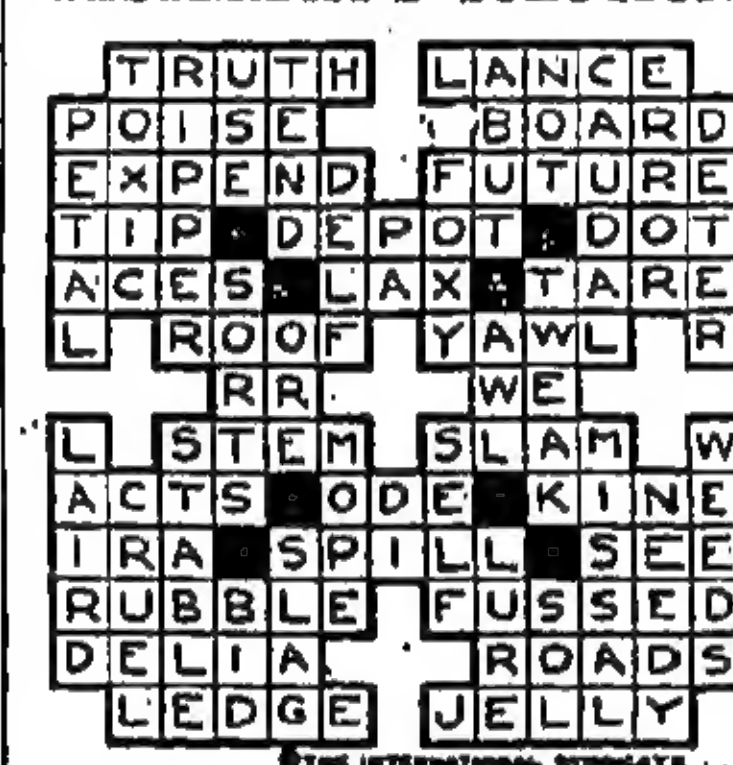
## VERTICAL

- 1-Hardest part
- 2-Station
- 3-In the past
- 4-Three times (prefix)
- 5-Gazing
- 6-Uncanny
- 7-A leap
- 8-On fire
- 9-To hollow out
- 10-A card game
- 11-A dwarf
- 12-Atmosphere
- 13-Site
- 14-Small pieces of cardboard
- 15-Common
- 16-A tower for airplanes
- 17-Stone having cavity lined with crystals
- 18-Weep
- 19-Crude
- 20-To tear forcibly
- 21-A grave of a hero
- 22-Not fastened
- 23-A bird's home
- 24-Content
- 25-A store
- 26-Case
- 27-Pastry (pl.)
- 28-Consumed

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

shoes through the medium of rods and cables. Another form of servo motor is represented by the Dewandre vacuum brake and by the more recently introduced Westinghouse brake. These devices utilise the suction available in the induction pipe of the engine, air being exhausted from one side of a piston, which is thus caused to move by atmospheric pressure, so applying the brakes. Matters are arranged in such a way that, should the vacuum system fail, the brakes can be applied directly by the pedal; this safety feature is also incorporated in the frictional types of servo motor.

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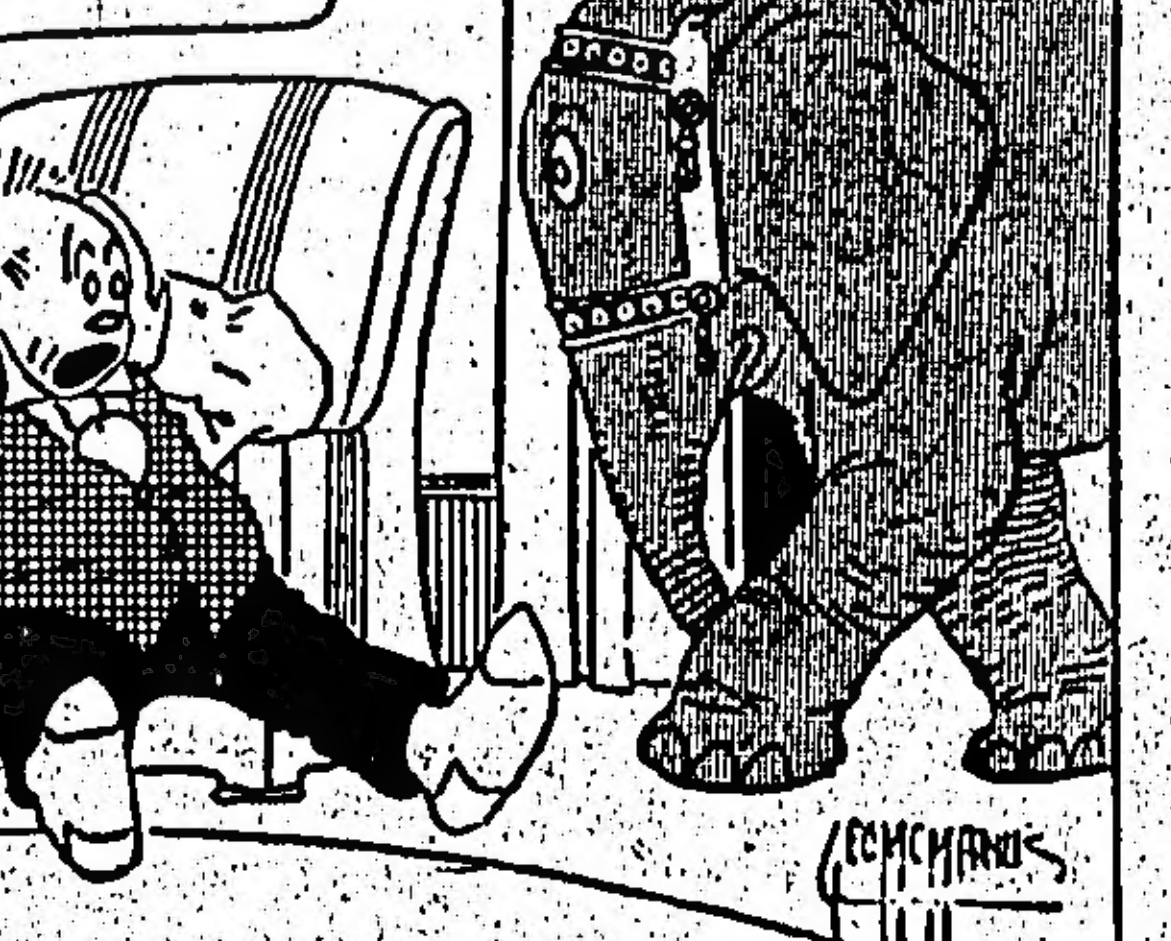
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SATURDAY, JULY 23, 1927.

## BODY IN A TRUNK.

EXPERTS AND CAUSE OF DEATH.

## THEORY OF A WOOLLY MAT.

The Westminster magistrate (Mr. E. C. P. Boyd) continued the hearing of the evidence against John Robinson, 35, recently in business at Rochester-row, Westminster, as a house and estate agent, who is charged with the murder of Mrs. Minnie Alice Bonati, the wife of a waiter, whose dismembered body was found in a trunk at Charing-cross station on May 10. Mr. C. Wallace conducted the case for the Director of Public Prosecutions, and Mr. Laurence Vine and Mr. M. D. Lyon were for the defence.

Dr. Thomas Rose, police divisional surgeon, said that he and Dr. Weir made a post mortem examination. All the bruises on the remains, he said, were caused shortly before death. He formed the opinion that the bruises on the temple and eye were caused by two distinct blows, and that on the abdomen was the result of direct violence. The other bruises could have been caused by pressure of the hands or knuckles. He did not think that one blow which would cause a fall would also cause all the bruises.

Mr. Wallace: In your opinion, what was the cause of death?

Dr. Rose: Satisfaction following violence. Probably some soft substance was placed over the mouth and nose. At the time she might have been unconscious. The blow on the head was sufficient to have produced unconsciousness.

Answering Mr. Vine, witness said the definite signs of death he saw were not obliterated, although he agreed that every hour was of some importance. There were no marks of violence round the neck; if great violence had been used he would have expected to have seen some marks.

Mr. Vine: Suppose this woman had remained for some hours on a woolly mat, would that have been sufficient to have caused suffocation?

Dr. Rose: A very soft substance might be sufficient, but here the marks of pressure were definite.

Further questioned, Dr. Rose said he saw no trace of coal gas poisoning in the body, and he had not heard there had been an escape of gas in the room.

Mr. Vine: That will be proved up to the hilt. With regard to the bruise on the temple, is that consistent with the statement of the prisoner that he struck her, and that she fell on a chair?

Dr. Rose: It was a violent blow, and sufficient to render her unconscious.

Dr. H. Wright Weir, pathologist, of Park Road, N.W., said that in his opinion the woman was rendered unconscious by blows on the head, and then suffocated by some soft substance over the face.

Cross-examined, Dr. Weir said he heard for the first time that day that there was a large woolly mat in one of the rooms the prisoner occupied at Rochester-row. Had he known that at the time of the post-mortem it would not have affected his opinion.

Mr. Vine: Have you ever given it as your opinion that this woman's death was due to an accident?

Dr. Weir: No.

Mr. Vine: Dr. Rose puts it as a possible cause of death that asphyxia could be caused by a soft substance such as a woolly mat over the nose and mouth. Do you agree with that?—Yes.

"A Series of Blows."

Sir Bernard H. Spilsbury said he formed the opinion that some bruises were caused by a series of blows, though one or two might have been caused by falling.

Mr. Wallace: Would one blow which caused the woman to fall on to a chair or fireplace have caused all the bruises?

Sir Bernard: Not all of them.

Have you formed an opinion as to the cause of death?—Yes. The cause of death was asphyxia following violence, and the asphyxia was caused by suffocation—that is

## SHARES WORTH £800.

FORTY POUNDS UP IN A DAY.

## WALL STREET RECORD.

New York.

The rise of more than £40 in the old stock of the Texas Land Trust marks the highest point in the history of the most sensational of all stocks on the New York Exchange. Last September the shares in the Trust could be purchased for £140; to-day, they are selling for nearly £800.

The Trust was formed in 1888, when it took over 3,500,000 acres of land from the Texas Pacific Railway. With the proceeds of its sale of lands it bought its own shares in the open market, retiring them, no dividends ever being declared. The speculation seemed to be that whoever should, in the course of time, own the last two shares, would fall heir to a sum of money beyond the dreams of avarice.

But for the last two years the Trust has sold no lands. It leases them, employing its rents and royalties to purchasing back stock.

Oil-Wells Found. 103,700 shares of £20 per value. Recently, these shares were reduced in numbers to 19,290 and the amount of land held by the Trust to 2,000,000 acres.

The discovery of vast oil wells in Western Texas and the rise in price of readily in the town of Dallas enhanced the value of its holdings enormously. The stock rose by leaps and bounds of 50 points a day.

Then the trustees decided to issue a stock dividend of 100 new shares for each old share. Against each new share stands approximately an acre of valuable land.

The new shares rose to-day over a dollar to 251.6 dollars, equal to nearly £800 for each of the old shares.

to say direct pressure over the mouth and nostrils.

Did you form any opinion as to whether this direct pressure was applied when the woman was conscious or unconscious?—Yes, when she was unconscious, as there was very little bruising, very slight on the tip of the tongue.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury also said there were certain indications when coal gas poisoning was a cause of death. He found no trace of that.

Cross-examined, Sir Bernard said the bruise on the temple could not have been caused by the woman striking something when falling. Some of the other bruising might have been caused by falling on articles of furniture.

Mr. Vine: If she fell face downwards on a mat in a room in which there was an escape of gas, and she lay unconscious in that position for some hours, would not that be an element in the asphyxia?

Sir Bernard: If a person dies from asphyxia following a fall on a mat, it would be within a few minutes. In such a case coal gas would be a factor.

Asked whether he had any connection with the theory that the woman died as the result of an accident falling downstairs, Sir Bernard replied: I will say frankly at once that I did not.

Mr. Vine: Have you ever expressed an opinion of this nature—that the cause of death might have been accidental?—I have not.

Mr. Vine: I accept your answers without the slightest qualification.

Sir Bernard, in further cross-examination, said it was possible that if a mat was of a certain material asphyxia might follow if a person fell face downwards upon it. He had not seen the mat in the present case.

Mr. Vine: There is no doubt it will be produced later."

## CHALIAPIN PUZZLED.

ATTACKED FOR FEEDING THE HUNGRY.

"MOSCOW MUST BE CRAZY."

"I am no Bolshevik, Communist, or Royalist. I know nothing of politics. I am an artist, and I sing my songs to whoever will hear them."

Filled with indignation M. Chaliapin, the great Russian singer, paced up and down one of his rooms at his London hotel, and made this reply to the Central Committee of the Bolshevik Artists' Trade Union of Moscow, which has passed a resolution requesting the Commissariat of Education formally to deprive him of the title of "People's Artist" (conferred on him in the earlier stages of the revolution) because he contributed 5,000 francs to the support of unemployed Russian exiles in Paris.

A message from Moscow received in Berlin stated that M. Chaliapin had been deprived of his nationality, but M. Chaliapin says that he had received no official communication from Russia and the report has not been confirmed.

Ashamed of Country. "I am ashamed for my country," he said in his broken English to a reporter. "These Bolsheviks take the whole of my fortune when the revolution began. Then I sing for five years to Russian people just for my food. They give me no money! I think that not good enough for an artist, so I leave to sing in other countries which were calling me."

"It is really funny, but I go not back to Russia, because I know not what will happen. Perhaps I have broken a law! Those laws! They condemn me for giving 5,000 francs to hungry Russians in Paris. But I did not know their political beliefs. I gave the money to fill their stomachs. They must be crazy. Because I sing before your great King, am I a Royalist? Am I conspiring against the Soviet because I feed hungry Russians in Paris?"

M. Chaliapin has his wife in England with him, and two of his daughters are in France. He holds a Soviet passport, which has to be renewed every six months, and his immediate problem is whether he will be permitted to use that passport to enable him to go to France, where he is due shortly.

## DOOM OF THE BOILER?

AN EFFECT OF THE MARCH OF ELECTRICITY.

The famous Blackburn engineering firm of Yates and Thom, whose boilers and engines are to be found all over the world, have decided to voluntarily wind up.

The company, which has a paid up capital of £240,000, formerly produced 200 boilers a year, and employed over 1,000 operatives.

Sir William Thom (chairman), in a letter assuring shareholders that the firm would pay 20s. in the £ to creditors and holders of stock and shares, said that he and his co-directors, consequent upon the development of electric power, felt that their section of the engineering industry was doomed.

A turning over to a new branch of engineering would entail considerable risk, with doubtful results.

## "THESE SILLY WOMEN."

When a hairdresser at Southend County Court pleaded that times were hard, Judge Crawford asked: "Don't you do shingling or bobbing?"

The hairdresser said he did not cater for that sort of trade.

Judge Crawford: Then it is time you did. You would soon have a few of these silly women outside your shop.

## IN ONE ROOM.

MOST INTERESTING PLACE IN LONDON.

KING WHO USED POOR INK.

What is the most interesting room in London? Now that the capital is filled with sightseers the question might be said to be of topical interest. But it would be hard to contest the claims of that fine stone-walled, high-roofed chamber, the Museum of the Record Office in Chancery-lane, where the light falls through the heraldic windows upon a wonderful selection of documents and objects which have contributed to history.

That single room is indeed like a distilled drop of all the history of England, and in consequence is more visited by Americans than by British, though it is open from Monday to Friday from two to four in the afternoon. Here is a case in the centre of the room is Domesday Book itself, or rather both, for there are two of them. You can lean on the desk and see with your own eyes how Middlesex and Norfolk were inventoried in the day of the conqueror.

It is easy enough to make out except for the abbreviations. There is much question everywhere of pasture and how much of it was available for sheep and pigs. Hardly the Middlesex we know.

Red Griffin and Salamander.

Most interesting are those documents which in some way give us an insight into the character of the writer or of the period. Here are the accounts, the household receipts of King Henry VII., amounting to £126,346 18s. 5½d., with every item countersigned by the King himself. On the two pages visible are some ten or eleven signatures of the King, rather awkwardly scrawled, like a child making pot-hooks. The King was provided, or provided himself, with cheap ink, for his autographs have faded while the text is black.

The next object in the case is an indenture between the same King and the abbot of Westminster. It reads strangely to our ears, running, like any common indenture, between the King on one part and the abbot on the other, as if two business men were getting each other's vows on to paper.

It is very beautifully illuminated with the then royal arms of England, and it is worth noting that lions and unicorns did not then exist. The supporters are a red dragon, or griffin, and a white salamander, a snake-like sort of greyhound in the illumination, with a pink collar.

These old arms of England with the fleur-de-lis in the second and fourth quarters, denoting the claim to the French throne, appear curiously in the superb illumination of the treaty made between Francis I. of France and Cardinal Wolsey on behalf of King Henry VIII., dealing with the project of marrying Princess Mary to the Duke of Orleans. It is a French royal manuscript, and yet the illuminator has introduced the English arms with the French quartering, as if it were quite accepted in France.

Queen and Wife.

There is a very characteristic valuation made for Henry VIII. of the bishoprics and monasteries and ecclesiastical benefices of the country. There is a brightly coloured picture of the King on his throne, and below, with a sort of flourish, at the head of an index of sorts, the words Valet, Valent, "It is worth." "They are worth." That is, several times. It is the bluff king and his outlook on a page.

To jump the centuries, here is the original "scrap of paper," the treaty guaranteeing the independence and integrity of Belgium, with its seals and signatures. Of a different type is the census folio filled in by Queen Victoria for the Royal Family. She comes first, above the Prince Consort, but she has written "The Queen" in it at the same time opposite her name, she has entered "Wife," and opposite Prince Albert's, "Head" of the family.

£1,000 Notches.

Very curious are the old wooden tally sticks, cut from hazel, by which royal and other expenditure was kept without writing. Notches of different characters were cut into the wood, according to the value to be recorded, twice over. A section bearing these notches was slit off and kept by the interested person as his counterfoil, the state or corporation or whatever it might be kept the main portion of the stick, called the stock. It is suggested that the word "stock" thus gained its monetary sense.

One of the tallies in the Record Office testifies to an account of £22,000, debts of George IV., as Prince of Wales. The thousand round notches are very long, regular little scoops in the wood.

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## VALUABLE STAMPS.

THE MOST VALUABLE COLLECTION.

£1,000 BLOCK OF "CAPES."

Strasbourg.

The International Philatelic Exhibition, which is being held here, has been attended by collectors and dealers from all over Europe. It includes postage stamp collections of a value running into hundreds of thousands of pounds and probably the most valuable single collection in the world.

Among the numerous English collections shown the most important is the collection of Cape of Good Hope stamps belonging to Mr. R. F. A. Riesco, of London, who should bring the grand gold cup to England. It is without doubt the finest collection of these interesting stamps. One of his unique blocks contains three of the ordinary 1d. red stamps and one error, the 4d. red, and is worth probably more than £1,000.

Stamps Saved for France. The Dutch stamps of Mr. A. J. Warren, of London, are well known; while Col. M. A. Studd, D.S.O., of London, can hardly be excelled for a collection of Canadian stamps.

The collection of M. Maurice Barrus, the president of the Exhibition Committee, is probably the most valuable collection of the world, being valued at more than half a million sterling. M. Barrus is a native of Alsace, and it was his interest and patriotism that kept many stamps from the celebrated Ferial collection in France.

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## ANCIENT RELICS.

NEW EXCAVATIONS IN MALTA.

ELEPHANT TUSK IN CAVE.

Malta.

The cave known as "Ghur Duden" (Dalen cave), in the eastern part of the island and in the homonymous valley, is again being excavated under the direction of Mr. Giuseppe Despoti, M.B.E., the curator of the Malta Natural History Museum.

This cave, which until comparatively recent times was used as a cattle shelter, was originally one of those fissures so frequently met with in different parts of the island, but which the action of the water during a stretch of thousands upon thousands of years has eroded and very considerably enlarged.

In previous excavations a large quantity of animal remains, fragments of pottery of the Stone, Bronze, and Punic periods, as well as implements and ornaments of the Stone Age and complements of tools, molars, and fragments of bones were discovered and preserved.

In 1917 Mr. Despoti, while digging a trench at a distance of about 110ft. from the mouth of the cave, came across two human upper molars of a somewhat abnormal size (one with conjoined roots and another a milk molar), which, on examination, Sir Arthur Keith, the eminent anthropologist, declared to be the molars of the Neanderthal man, an extinct species who must have inhabited these islands.

From the fossil animal remains found in the soil of the cave (most of them of pachyderms and other animals) scientists have inferred that these islands are the remains of a landbridge which once connected Europe with Africa. At that time the Dalmatian Valley was doubtless a river which discharged into the neighbouring inlet of San Giorgio. During the rainy season its torrential waters carried everything before them.

Visits to the Cave.

On the recommendation of Mr. Despoti the Maltese Government is providing funds for the excavations and for the building above the inner part of the cave of the "Ghur Duden" Museum, consisting of two large halls, office, laboratory, and

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## PRINCE OF WALES.

## AN "ABSURD" SPANISH REPORT.

An authoritative denial of the rumoured engagement of the Prince of Wales to Princess Beatrice of Spain was given by a highly placed official. He said there was no warrant whatever for the report published in Spain, and quoted in this country, to the effect that the Prince was about to become engaged to the Infanta Beatrice.

The report added that the two Royal families had approved the match; that the King and Queen of Spain were coming to England shortly in connection with it; and that the Spanish Ambassador in London was giving a ball in honour of the prospective union. It was recalled by the official that a very similar report had been published on each of two previous occasions, on each of which it called for an emphatic denial.

"The reports were untrue then, and they are still untrue," he said. "I am astonished that such an absurd report should have been revived. There is absolutely no truth in the story."

## MR. CHAPLIN'S WEALTH.

## HIS OWN ESTIMATE ONLY \$250,000.

Mr. Charlie Chaplin, the film comedian, filed at Los Angeles an answer and counter-charges to the suit for divorce brought against him by his wife, Lila Grey Chaplin. He denied emphatically the sensational charges levelled against him.

In particular he declared his relations with the film actresses named by his wife were of a purely professional character. He depicted his wife as a "calculating" young woman, an inattentive wife and indifferent mother, as a free indulger of liquors, and as having been infatuated since her marriage with two men. His remonstrances, he said, brought from her the statement that she no longer loved him and that she desired a divorce and settlement.

He estimated his total fortune at \$250,000, whereas his wife had estimated it at \$3,200,000.

From the date of his marriage he had received, he said, a salary of \$50,000 a year as director, but his net income did not exceed \$32,400 a year.

Mr. Chaplin is now at Atlantic City, and his plans for a visit to England are still somewhat nebulous.

## COSTLY DISPENSATION.

## \$2,000 FEE LEADS TO A LAWSUIT.

When Prince Edward Lobkowitz became engaged to marry Miss Anita Lilme, of Chicago, he being Catholic and she Protestant, it became necessary to procure a papal dispensation, as she would not consent to children of the marriage being brought up as Catholics.

The Prince applied to Count Vetter von der Lillie, formerly councillor of the Austrian Legation at the Vatican, who agreed to obtain the dispensation for \$2,000, to include expense. Count Vetter introduced Dr. Kammerer, a Vienna advocate, who went to Rome and obtained not only the papal dispensation but the papal blessing for the young couple.

Count Vetter and his secretary, Dr. Skrein have brought an action against Dr. Kammerer to recover \$1,600. They say they promised him \$200, which he must obtain from America in addition to the \$2,000. The expenses were about \$400.

Dr. Kammerer stated in court that he spent six weeks in Rome and did all the work, and that he never made any agreement with Count Vetter and Dr. Skrein, and owes them nothing. The case was adjourned.

## WHAT AMERICA READS.

There is in America now a vast new democratic public, writes Mr. Hugh Walpole in "The Nation." This public wishes to read and reads almost anything that comes its way. One result of this is the great increase in America of cheap and shoddy magazines. While "Harper's" and "Scribner's" and "The Forum" and "The Golden Book" maintain a fine standard, the railway bookstalls and the smaller newspaper shops are flooded with terrible publications, "Sex Stories," "True Love Magazine," "True Adventures" and the magazines of Mr. Macfadden filled with photographs of nude ladies emphasizing, but I am afraid not advancing, the necessity of physical fitness. There are also what are known as the "tabloid" newspapers of New York and Chicago. Illustrated dailies in form resembling our "Daily Mirror" and "Daily Sketch," but in contents filled with the vilest and foulest of illustrations and letterpress; these sell in millions.

There is an ever-increasing competition for the retail trade of the country.—Sir Harry Greer.

## BURIED CITY.

## EXCAVATION WORK BEGINS AT HERCULANEUM.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy on May 16 realised a century-old scientist's dream by inaugurating in solemn ceremony the excavation of the buried city of Herculaneum, says the British United Press.

He arrived at Naples in the royal yacht, and motored over to the site. Against the background of the slopes of Vesuvius were gathered the archaeologists, engineers, and workmen who will give back to the world the buried treasures that lie hidden in Herculaneum, sister-city to Pompeii.

King Victor took out the first shovelful of earth. The work is considered to be one of the most important archaeological undertakings of modern times.

There are those who believe that the lost books of Livy may at last see the light of day, and that some, if not all, of Sappho's priceless odes may be unearthed to enrich the poetry and spiritual wealth of the world.

## SUICIDE IN A BATH.

## MAN WHO SUFFERED IN SILENCE.

Suicide while of unsound mind was the verdict returned at Wandsworth on William C. H. Allen (58), boot manufacturer, Hazelwell Road, Putney, who was found dead in an empty bath with his throat cut. In a letter to his wife he said:—

Although I have not said much, I have not been feeling well for a considerable time, and did not appear to make any improvement. I am losing my grip on my work. I want to thank you for your kindness, help, and cheerful company during our long life together. No man could have a better wife and helpmate. I feel I have made a very inadequate return for all your kindness to me, and deeply regret I have proved such a failure. Try to forget all the trouble I have caused you.

It was stated at the inquest that he had a flourishing business.

## RABBIT SKIN RUSH.

## TRAPPERS WHO EARN £30 A WEEK.

The old joke about Scotmen being numerous in Australia, but rabbits being the country's worst pest, seems to need revision, for the rodents are now providing by means of their fur quite a considerable export trade.

A large sum of money is spent yearly in an effort to stamp out the rabbits, which do great damage to crops, but now an army of trappers is at work trying to meet the demand for skins, particularly from the United States. In some cases, it is said, they earn as much as £30 a week.

A Canadian Government liner recently sailed from Sydney carrying more than 1,000,000 skins, and an even larger consignment will probably be despatched a week hence. It is expected that the demand will be still larger during the next few years, so that the rabbits may compensate with their skins to some extent for the losses caused by their teeth.

## NIGHT ON A MAST.

## SAILOR DROWNED AFTER HELPING BOY.

A graphic story of the sea was told by Pierre Quintric, the 14-year-old apprentice of the fishing-boat Dixmude, which was lost off the Isle-de-Sei, near Brest.

When the boat sank 3 injured men were drowned. Pierre Quintric climbed up the mast, which remained above water, where he found a sailor named Kerdreux holding on. Kerdreux gave the boy a piece of rope with which he lashed himself to the mast.

In about an hour Kerdreux became exhausted and, after saying goodbye, disappeared in the raging waters. Quintric had tried to hold his companion firm with one hand and then with the other, but in vain, and he would himself have been carried away but for the rope which Kerdreux gave him.

He remained in this position all night with the waves constantly washing over him. At 7.30 a boat steered by with an 80-years-old fisherman named Tennifer on board.

The boy cast off the rope and tried to reach an oar which was thrown towards him, but his strength failed and he sank. He was saved, however, by a boat hook.

## POSED AS POLICEMAN.

## MAN WITH A "KINK" AND A YOUNG COUPLE.

A man who was said to have a "kink" about the police, William Reed, aged 36, a labourer, was charged on remand at West Ham Police Court with posing as a policeman and being in possession of firearms.

According to the evidence, Reed one evening went up to a young man and woman who were sitting in a field at Barkingside and told them he had "got them" for trespassing, and that he had "got people months and you will get it." He took their names and addresses and later called on the young woman's mother. He showed her a revolver and said he wanted to see the young woman.

It was arranged that he should call again, and when he did so he was confronted by two police officers, who arrested him.

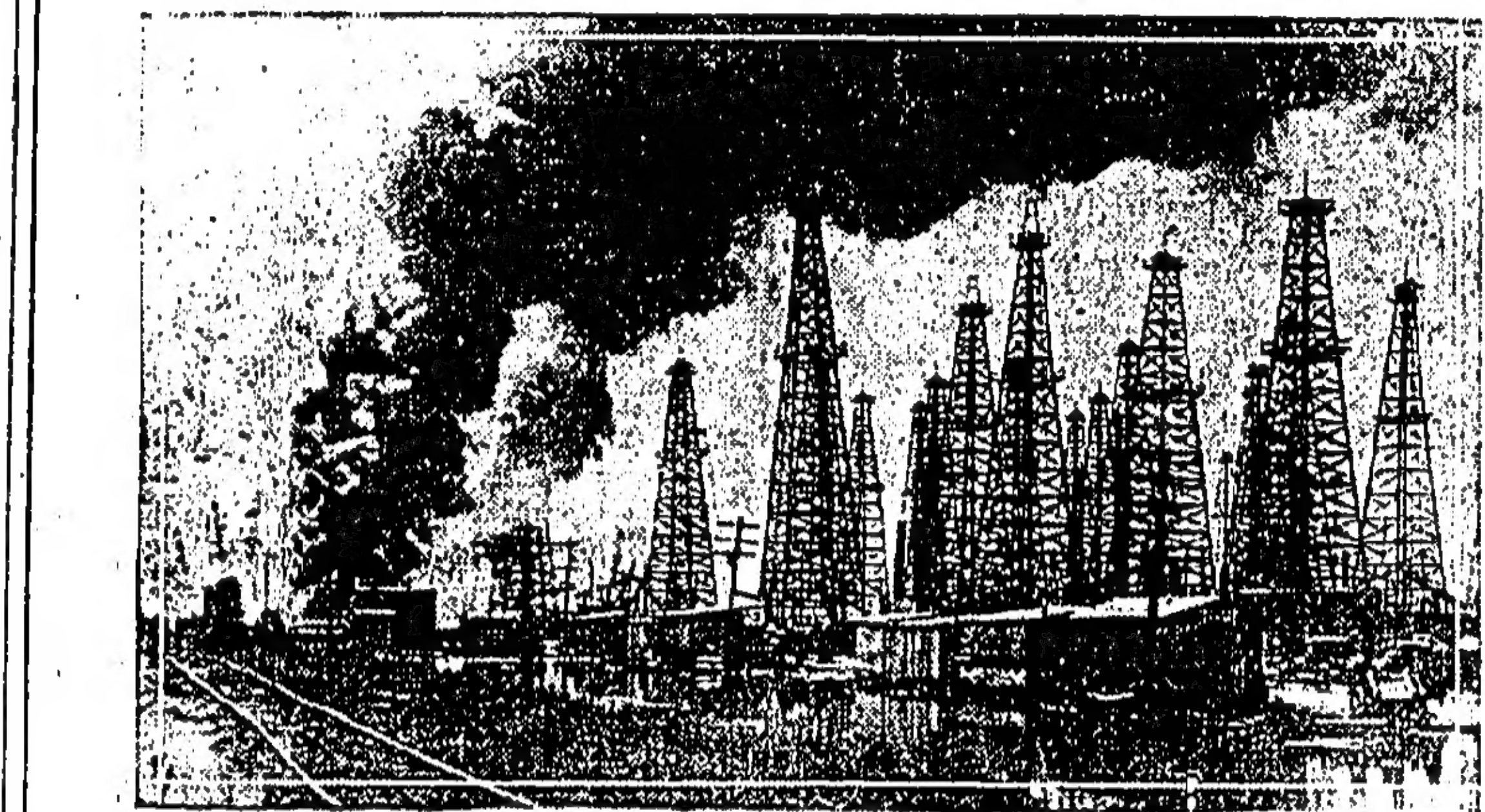
Detective-Sergeant Crispin said Reed seemed to have a "kink" about the police. He had relations in the force and had been himself turned down on account of his education; but he had still an idea that he was a policeman. Reed, added the officer, had a wonderful character for work from his employers.

Mr. St. John Morrow, taking into account the fact that he had a good character and that possibly he had a "kink," fined Reed £5 or 31 days' imprisonment.

## HER MAJESTY THE CAT.

"As nervous as a cat" is a common-place, and yet a cat is a most self-possessed animal, not half so emotional as a dog. Pedestrians on the Barrhead Road, Peterborough, lately were amused to see a small kitten hold up a huge lorry. The driver pulled up so quickly that the startled horse was almost forced to its hind legs. There, in the middle of the wide road, a tiny cat sat demurely playing with its tail and it had to be gently lifted aside by the lorryman before traffic could be resumed. Probably the driver would have sworn and shouted at a brother man or even a sister woman! The kitten he treated more respectfully.

The motor age has dawned in Africa as elsewhere.—Sir Montague Barlow.



Thousands of barrels of oil going up in smoke as a result of the ignition of a wild running gusher in the Spindletop Field near Beaumont, Texas.

## A BAR TO MARRIAGE.

## "SPIRITUAL AFFINITY" IN SERBIA.

Belgrade, June 6.

A distressing crime, which shows considerable light on Serbian social ideas, has occurred here. A young workman of twenty, named Georgevitch, was seen walking in the evening, happily enough with a sixteen-year-old girl to whom his father had been a god-parent; and a few minutes later rushed to the nearest police-station to say he had killed her. She was found lying in the road with a knife sticking out from her breast. It transpired, from the youth's story, that the young couple had for some time been desperately in love. Their respective parents, seeing them constantly together, did not at first suspect that it was more than a friendship of "koums," or god-relations; but when they at last realised the truth they were filled with indignation and horror, as all those who are bound by this spiritual tie are in Serbia regarded in the eyes of orthodox Serbians, marriage between the young man and the girl would have been equivalent to incest.

It was the despair which took possession of young Georgevitch when he realised that not only the Church, but all his own relations and the girl's and the opinion of society were against him that drove him to take the desperate step for which he will now probably pay with a term of several years' hard labour.

## SUDDEN DEATH.

## PEER WHO MARRIED MME. STEINHIL.

Lord Abinger died suddenly on his estate at Ewhurst, Surrey, aged fifty-one.

He had exceptionally good health, but was taken ill while in the woods on his estate and died shortly afterwards. The heir to the barony is a brother, the Hon. Hugh Richard Scarslett.

Lord Abinger succeeded to the title on the death of his brother in May, 1917. A month after he came into the title he married Mme. Steinhil, the beautiful Frenchwoman, whose name was familiar to everyone eight or nine years previously in connection with the tragedy in her Paris home, where her husband and her mother were found murdered.

Mme. Steinhil was gagged and bound, and she declared that the outrage and murders had been committed by burglars. She was arrested and charged with murder, but was acquitted after a sensational trial.

After the ordeal Mme. Steinhil adopted the name of de Serignac, and settled in England to live in peace and rebuild her health. She resided in the Tulse Hill district, and it was in the Rouppell Park Wesleyan Church, Brixton, that her marriage to Lord Abinger took place.

## STRANGE VISITORS.

## INSECTS THAT TRAVEL BY BANANA CRATE.

Strange little insects are among the uninvited guests who come to England all the year round, and especially in the summer. They wake one morning to find themselves in entirely new surroundings, and are perhaps just as disconcerted as those who find them.

Many come housed in crates of bananas, while others prefer timber, which is sometimes sawn up and built into a house before their unwelcome presence is discovered.

Major E. E. Austen, keeper of the Natural History branch of the British Museum, South Kensington, S.W., told a "Daily Mail" reporter that finders occasionally send him some of these visitors to examine, although, he said, there is no case on record where such insects have lived to breed here. Major Austen said:

"There is a large green grasshopper which is imported with cutiflowers from Italy. Orchids also sometimes bring over insects, while the so-called great woodwasp, or great-tailed wasp, often comes over in timber. In the museum here we have several pieces of sheet lead which were wrapped round a larch pole and through which insects in the pole wormed their way."

Major Austen showed part of a wooden artificial leg through which insects had made their way while a wounded soldier was wearing it at Southampton during the war.

## SWEEP WINNER.

## VIEW THAT STATE CAN SEIZE HIS £80,000.

The legal opinion is expressed here that not only is the State entitled to take proceedings for the recovery of every penny received by Mr. Kilpatrick, the Capetown dental mechanic who has won more than £80,000 in the Calcutta Derby sweepstake, but that Mr. Kilpatrick is also liable to a fine of £200 with the alternative of 6 months' imprisonment under the Cape Provinces Lotteries Act.

Moreover, it is held that the syndicate which purchased a share in Mr. Kilpatrick's ticket is also liable to be proceeded against for recovery of the money won.

## BRIDE STABS GUEST.

A wedding breakfast following the marriage of a Honfleur trawler-owner and a young widow was dramatically interrupted at Honfleur.

A chance remark by one of the women guests so angered the bride that she took up a table-knife and stabbed her guest in the breast.

The injured woman was removed to hospital, and the bride is spending the rest of the day in prison.

## FLIGHT TO SCOTLAND.

## WOMAN PILOT'S LECTURE TRIP.

Mrs. Elliott-Lynn, the first woman pilot to fly from London to Glasgow, reached Renfrew aerodrome. She is to lecture in Glasgow on British aviation. She had intended originally flying north from Bournemouth in the Westland Widgeon, the aeroplane in which Major Openshaw met his death.

The Hon. Lady Bailey, however, placed a Moth machine at her disposal, and Mrs. Elliott-Lynn, flying solo, left Glasgow at 4.30 a.m., break-fasted at Brough-on-the-Humber, landed by mistake at Inchinnan, five miles beyond Renfrew. She reached Renfrew an hour later, and was warmly welcomed by thousands of spectators. She said she had had a delightful trip, and after tea took the Lord Provost's daughter and other guests up for a short flight.

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This was stated at the inquest on Stanley George Stark, 15, of Ben-ton-road, Southgate-road, N., when the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

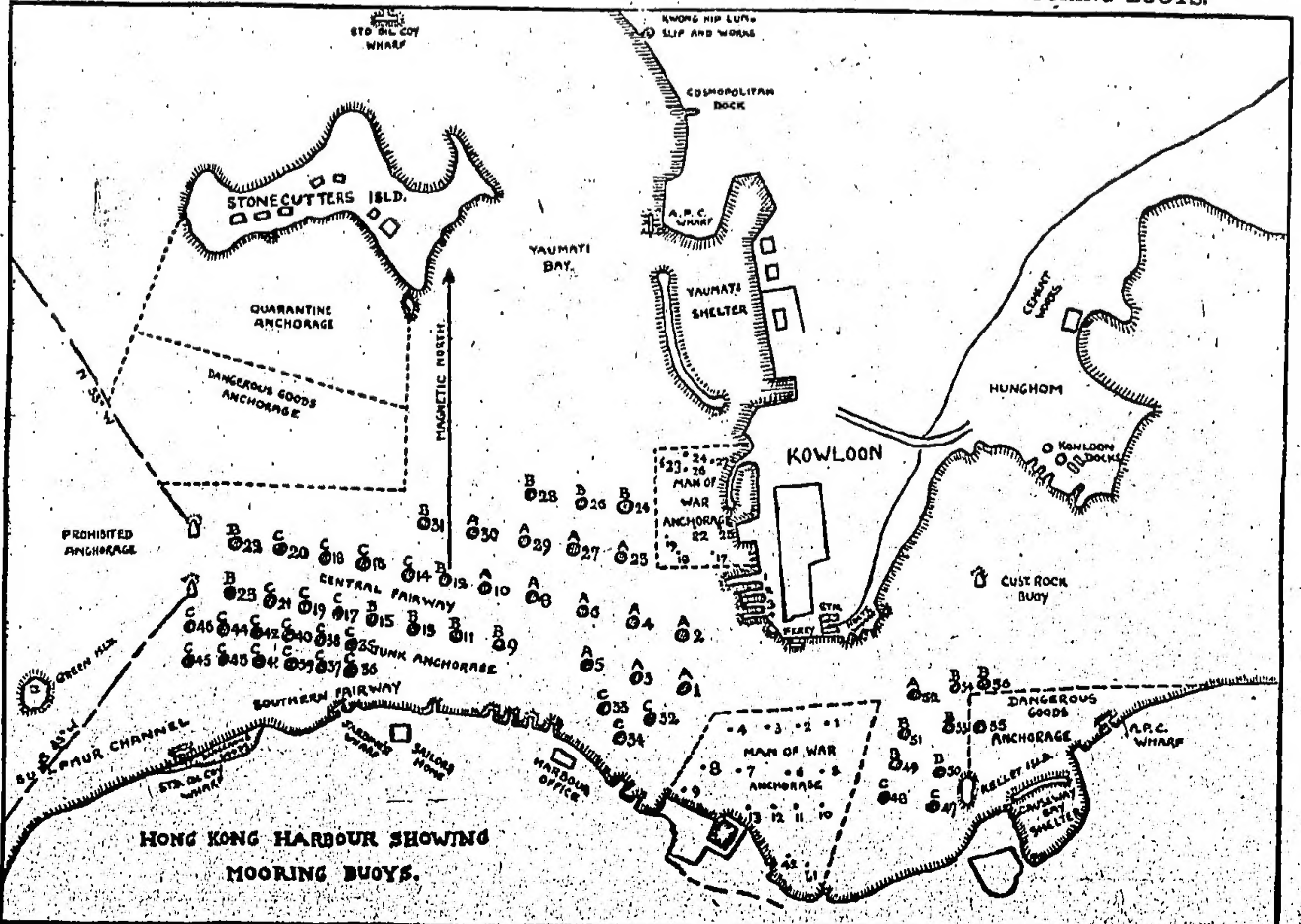
A rider was added that proper regulations should be made for the safe manufacture, transit and storage of such an inflammable substance.

Mr. Under-Sheriff T. Howard Deighton, for the firm, expressed Messrs. Blades' deep regret at the accident, and said that Sir G. Rowland and Lady Blades had at once gone round to see the boy in the hospital. They took a particular interest in the welfare of their staff.

Mr. William Hunt, an employee, said that there was a lighted gas ring in the room used for drying photographic glass. The temperature of the room must have been about 80 degrees; and he thought it was a change of temperature that caused the bottom of the bottle to fall out. The gas ring was not more than two feet from the boy when he passed it.

Mr. John Crowder, departmental manager to Messrs. Blades, stated that they had considered the highly inflammable nature of ether and had put it in stronger containers. He had not known that ether was so dangerous.

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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

### A Brave Girl.

Seeing a cottage on fire at  
Bartley, in the New Forest, a  
girl aged 20, dashed in to warn  
the occupants, and found an  
elderly man lying unconscious.  
She dragged him into the open  
air, and, though the thatched  
roof was ablaze, set to work to  
remove furniture.

President Calles has ordered  
gambling houses throughout  
Mexico to be closed. It is stated  
that the order is intended mainly  
to effect reforms in towns along  
the United States border, since  
comparatively few gambling  
houses operate openly in towns  
in the interior.

Mr. Fred Barnes, the comedian,  
has married Miss Rose Tyson, an  
Australian heiress and one of the  
daughters of the late Mr. James  
Tyson, the millionaire station  
owner of Australia. The marriage  
(Mr. Barnes said) took place  
by special licence in his own flat  
in Clifton Villas, Maida Vale.

### Educating Illiterate Convicts.

In consequence of the large  
number of illiterates among  
criminals in Turkish prisons the  
authorities are going to start a  
course of instruction for such  
prisoners. They are to be taught  
at least to read and write. If the  
Board of Education has its way  
no prisoner will be discharged,  
whatever his sentence, until he  
knows his alphabet.

A donation of 100,000 Dutch  
florins has been made by the  
president of the Netherlands So-  
ciety for Wireless Telegraphy as  
the nucleus of a fund to pro-  
vide an annual prize for any  
member of the society, who "by  
an invention or any new method  
contributes in the widest sense  
of the word toward the advance-  
ment of the science and tech-  
nique of wireless communica-  
tion."

A young woman who attempt-  
ed to commit suicide by throwing  
herself from the first platform of  
the Eiffel Tower in Paris suffer-  
ed no worse injury than a frac-  
tured thigh. After falling 20ft.  
she struck against one of the  
girders and remained suspended  
from it by her dress, in an un-  
conscious condition, 160ft. above  
the ground. Firemen had to  
climb the framework of the tower  
in order to rescue her.

The new postage stamps of  
the Palestine Government have  
for their designs the Holy Places  
and scenes in the country.

Miss Sarah Dhar, who has just  
been called to the Bar in England,  
is the second lady member of the  
Bar from Burma.

Among 59,464 new settlers in  
Australia last year were 42,219  
from Great Britain, an increase  
of 4,623 compared with 1925.

### Lamp Post Advertising.

It has been decided by the  
Paris Municipal Council that  
lamp-posts shall be let to busi-  
ness organisations anxious to  
affix on them signs to show the  
public the way to their establish-  
ments.

An attempt is to be made  
to swim the channel be-  
tween the 13-year-old American Ziten-  
field twin sisters, Berenice and  
Phyllis.

"Every child of 12 in Russia  
knows twice as much as a child in  
Britain"—Mr. A. J. Cook. But  
the quality of the knowledge was  
not stated.

Mrs. Winifred Kiek is to be  
ordained a minister of the  
South Australian Congregational  
Church. She will be the first  
woman to be ordained in Aus-  
tralia.

The "Times" Geneva Corres-  
pondent telegraphs that the first  
ascent of the Wetterhorn this  
season was made by Mr. K.  
Latham, a visitor from East  
Africa, with two Grindelwald  
guides.

It was found that convicts in  
the Central Prison in Sofia had  
made a tunnel over 100ft. long in  
hopes of escaping through it.  
Several of the warders have been  
arrested.

The Very Rev. Dr. John Smith,  
ex-Moderator of the General  
Assembly of the Church of Scot-  
land, died suddenly in an office at  
Glasgow where he had gone for a  
war memorial trust meeting.

### EVERY USER IS A FRIEND.

The personal recommendations of  
people who have been cured by Cham-  
berlain's Cough Remedy, have done  
more than all else to increase the sale  
and use of this preparation, until  
there are now more bottles of it sold  
each year than of any other cough  
medicine. It is for sale everywhere.

### BRITISH PREFERRED.

Preference is to be given to  
British applicants in making  
appointments to the nursing staff  
at the Coventry Infirmary. Two  
positions as ward sisters at the  
infirmary having fallen vacant,  
the guardians there advertised,  
but without success.

A third advertisement, how-  
ever, brought replies from two  
Italian women living in Rome.  
Both had had British nursing  
experience, and one stated that  
she could speak four languages—  
English, Italian, French, and  
German.

The guardians seriously con-  
sidered inviting these two applic-  
ants to come on trial, but it was  
then pointed out that two British  
nurses had in the meantime  
applied.

It was accordingly decided that  
they should be given the first  
chance, and they are to be invited  
to an interview.

### EDINBURGH PICTURE-HOUSE FIRE.

The Palace Picture House,  
Princes Street, Edinburgh, which  
has been seriously damaged by fire,  
will, it was stated, have to be closed  
"for a time." The cafe, which is  
under the street level, did not  
suffer except from water damage,  
and business in it has not been  
suspended.

It is estimated that the damage  
done amounts to between £4,000  
and £5,000.

When it was closed on Saturday  
night about eleven o'clock every-  
thing seemed to be in order, but six  
hours later smoke was seen issuing  
from the building. When the fire  
brigade arrived it was found that  
the outbreak had taken place in the  
seats at the rear of the balcony,  
and that floor and roof were in-  
volved.

It is suspected that the fire was  
caused by an unextinguished cigar-  
ette which had been thrown down.

### NEGROES BURNT AT STAKE.

Two Louisville negroes who were  
arrested for shooting dead a saw-  
mill superintendent were taken  
from a police officer by a mob of  
1,000 persons and burnt at the  
stake. The mob paraded the  
streets of the town with their  
victims before making them fast  
to the pyre.

### DANGEROUS HOUSES.

I have just been reading the say-  
ing of a gypsy—one of those well-  
to-do nomads who go to Epsom for  
a holiday, who own houses of their  
own, but prefer the life of the road  
(says a "Morning Post" writer).  
"What we fear," said he, "is set-  
tling down in a house and dying  
there." That of course, is how the  
foolish Gorgios meet their fate.  
They live for a while in houses, and  
sooner or later perish miserably  
thereon. Look at the number of  
people who die annually in houses.

It was Mark Twain, I think, who  
wrote of the danger of lying in  
bed. Statistics have shown him  
that the vast majority of people  
died in bed, and this convinced him  
that bed must be a highly danger-  
ous place. It may be that the  
gypsy has a like feeling about a  
house. There one is always at the  
mercy of callers; the caravan is  
ever moving on and if the wielder  
of the abhorred shears comes upon  
the place where it has rested may-  
be she will not at the moment  
pursue the quest. There is some-  
thing pleasant in the idea of the  
endless pilgrim which shall keep  
death tolling behind.

### GREAT DAM IN JAMAICA.

The Hermitage Dam, near King-  
ston, Jamaica, which has been con-  
structed by Sir W. G. Armstrong,  
Whitworth, and Co., Ltd., is situ-  
ated at a point 1,688ft. above sea  
level, and is 142ft. in height and  
673ft. in length, and varies in  
thickness from 30ft. to 100ft. at  
the base. It will impound about  
500,000,000 gallons of water, with  
a surface area of 37 acres, drawn  
from a drainage area above the  
dam of approximately six square  
miles. The reservoir so formed is  
intended chiefly as a source of  
supply for Kingston and St.  
Andrews in periods of drought, but  
it will also be used to increase  
their ordinary water facilities. In  
spite of difficulties of access, which  
made it necessary to construct a  
railway over two miles in length,  
the work was completed without  
undue incident or interruption.



### Long Arm of the Law.

Joseph Foster, who was arres-  
ted at Hamilton (New Zealand)  
recently in connection with the  
disappearance of a mailbag con-  
taining £10,000 in Treasury notes  
which was stolen in transit be-  
tween Cardiff and London on the  
night of February 2, appeared  
before the magistrate at Wellin-  
gton (New Zealand) recently and  
was remanded pending the ar-  
rival of warrants and documents  
from England. Bail was refused.

Mrs. Campbell, widow of  
Colonel J. E. Campbell, has given  
between 600 and 700 acres of  
land in Calgary, Canada, to be  
used at Lord Haig's discretion to  
help ex-Service settlers.

The ex-Service Men's Inter-  
national held a meeting in  
Brussels at which, after very  
lively debates, a "split" occurred  
between Socialist and Communist  
members. The International is  
now divided into two sections.

At Anglessey Assizes Mr.  
Justice Roche ordered a witness  
in a slander action to be kept in  
custody during the luncheon  
hour for having attempted to  
speak to a plaintiff while he was  
giving evidence.

### Theatre Goer of 101.

At the invitation of Sir Alfred  
Butt, Mrs. Charles Morton, widow  
of Charles Morton, the manager  
of the Palace Theatre, celebrated  
her 101st birthday by witnessing  
"The Desert Song" at Drury  
Lane Theatre.

Mrs. I. H. Moss, of Melbourne,  
will be a member of the Austro-  
Slav delegation to the League of  
Nations Assembly at Geneva in  
September. She is one of the  
founders of the Australian  
Women's National League.

An official report on deaths  
caused by wild animals in Burma  
during the past year states that  
snakes claimed 1,169 victims,  
tigers 38, leopards and panthers  
7, elephants 5, crocodiles 4, bison  
3, wild pig 1, and the Tucktu  
lizard 1.

Paddling at Sheerness with  
her sisters, a girl trod upon a  
large fish, which, when killed,  
was found to be nearly five feet  
long, with jaws more than two  
feet across. It weighed over a  
hundredweight, and is described  
by longshoremen as a monk-fish.

### BLESSING A BELL.

A quaint old Catholic cere-  
mony was revived at Wands-  
worth when a new bell installed  
at St. Thomas a Becket Church,  
West-hill, was blessed by the  
Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark.  
The bell was temporarily sus-  
pended from a tripod outside the  
door of the church, and the bishop  
took his seat in front of it. Then  
followed the blessing of the water  
for washing the bell, the bishop  
sprinkling it inside and out, and  
two attendants continuing the  
washing, while the cantors sang  
six hymns. Afterwards the bishop  
annointed the bell with oil,  
and abrazier was placed under-  
neath. Aromatic herbs were  
sprinkled on the fire, and the  
smoke filled the inside of the bell.  
The bell has been named "John  
Griffith, 1539," in memory of a  
vicar of Wandsworth who was  
executed during the reign of  
Henry VIII.

### FREUD IN THE WITNESS-BOX.

Vienna, June 7.  
The interesting question of whe-  
ther medical men may treat a  
patient psycho-analytically was  
dealt with in Court the other day.  
Dr. Theodor Reik, a pupil of Pro-  
fessor Freud's had treated the  
California lawyer, Dr. Newton  
Murphy, who alleged that Dr.  
Reik (who is not a physician) in-  
jured his health badly. Professor  
Freud stated in evidence that,  
owing to lack of time, he sent Dr.  
Murphy to Dr. Reik, pointing out  
to the American lawyer that Dr.  
Reik was not a physician, but a  
philosopher, who would not treat  
him medically but psycho-analyti-  
cally. Psycho-analysis, Professor  
Freud argued, was no longer a  
mere medical question. The Court  
interrogated some eminent medical  
experts, who opposed analysis by  
laymen, on the ground that only  
persons with a general knowledge  
of medicine and of neurotic dis-  
eases were able to judge whether  
a case was fit for psycho-analytical  
treatment.

In consequence of Mr. Murphy's  
statement to the police that he had  
always been in good health and  
wanted a course of psycho-analysis  
only in order to practise it in  
America, the Public Prosecutor de-  
clared that he had no longer any  
reason to maintain the charge, and  
the case was dismissed.

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Manila	25	President Madison.
Straits	26	Fook Sang.
Manila	26	Pras. Cleveland.
Straits	26	Garbeta.
Japan & Shanghai	29	Hakusan Maru.
Straits	29	Kamo Maru.
Manila	MONDAY, AUGUST	1
Manila	1	Empress of Canada.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	SATURDAY, JULY	Per
Bangkok	23	Helikon
Manila & parcels for Germany via Hamburg	23	Helikon
Shanghai, Wei-Hai-Wei & Europe via Siberia	24	Antenor
Shanghai	24	Chakaang
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	24	Chakaang
Huiphong	24	Tonkin
*Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	25	Kotsu Maru
Saigon	25	Tijpanas
Manila	25	President Madison
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan & San Francisco—due San Francisco 19th August. Registration 5 p.m. Letters (20th July) 8.30 a.m.	26	Siberia Maru.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	26	Hai Hong
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 16th August, and Europe via Siberia. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	27	President Cleveland.
Swatow	27	Hangsang
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 24th Aug. K.P.O.—Registration 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O.—Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	28	Patroclus.
Sandakan	28	Mausang
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.	28	Lai Sang.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 24th Aug. G.P.O.—Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. Kowloon P.O.—Registration 8 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.	30	Hakusan Maru.
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The programme was opened by the band of the 1st Cameronians and particular interest attached to the first item "The Covenanters" in that it was the composition of the conductor, Mr. Horace E. Dowell, I.R.A.M. This pleasing March met with an enthusiastic response and was followed by two Hungarian Dances (Brahm) and selections from Harry Lauder's songs in which the Service men joined heartily in the choruses. The men were loth to let the band go. As the conductor said, "the indications are that you like a bit of 'real Scotch,' and it would appear that you want a 'wee drapple mair.'"

Some "Catchy" Choruses.

The "J-Pans" then took the stage and after the introductory chorus, little Miss Glendinning greatly charmed the audience with a pretty dance in which she was the very embodiment of the Spirit of the Water Lily. A "goey" song in which the audience joined enthusiastically in the chorus was that of Mr. T. V. Harmon—"A Bachelor Gay." This and other choruses were conveniently printed on the programme, a happy thought which added greatly to the success of the evening.

The dances by the Misses P. Gittins, M. Gittins, P. Capell and E. Rose were most gracefully performed and another clever entertainer, Miss C. Xavier, also greatly pleased the audience with her naive appeals which made it difficult for many to remain in their seats.

Miss Capell's Success.

Miss V. Capell was the soul and spirit of the Company with such items as "Runnin' Wild," which was rendered with a dramatic realism which met with well merited applause; in the leadership of the gallant band of "Sailors" in the Hornpipe dance, and in the "Maison Lyon's" skit. In her dance to Chopin's Waltz and her items with Mr. C. D. Lake she caught the spirit of the pieces most effectively.

Mr. H. Glover has a pleasing voice which was well suited to the songs chosen and his items contributed considerably to the success of the entertainment. Miss Vaughan at the piano, Miss B. Walker, Miss I. Schierhorst, Miss D. Capell, Mr. A. W. Ramsey, Mr. E. P. Lenfestey, Mr. G. Arnold and Mr. G. Bond were other artists who gave valuable support.

The Cameronian's Band gave the following additional item: Humorous Sketch "A Southern Wedding" (Loller) and Fantasia on a Squire's Song (Squire).

Prizes Presented.

Prizes were presented to holders of lucky number tickets by Miss V. Capell, on behalf of the Committee. These prizes were collected by Mrs. Costen on behalf of the Committee and were donated by the following: British American Tobacco Company, Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., G. Falconer and Co., Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd., Hong Kong Tramways Ltd., Hotel Savoy, Kelly and Walsh Ltd., A. S. Watson and Co., and Wing On Co., Ltd.

The City Hall Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee, under whose auspices the concert was arranged, consists of Messrs. L. E. Hopkins (Chairman), H. T. Buxton (Hon. Secretary), W. A. Hannibal, G. W. C. Burnett, F. M. Crawford, T. V. Harmon, Mrs. W. T. Costen and Mrs. Youngusband.

At the "Cheer O."

An excellent concert arranged by Mrs. A. T. Hamilton was given at the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A. (Chater Road) last night. A new singer who greatly pleased the audience was Mrs. Robson.

### EMPIRE TOUR.

GREAT SEND-OFF FOR MR. AMERY.

CROWDS OF WELL-WISHERS.

Rugby, July 22.

Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary of State for the Dominions and Colonies, had a great send-off at Waterloo Station to-day when he



started on his six months' tour of the Empire. He is going first from Southampton to South Africa in the s.s. "Arundel Castle."

Crowds of well-wishers thronged the platform of the station. To Press representatives Mr. Amery declared: "I am sure that I shall have a wonderful time and come back rich in experience."—British Wireless Service.

### FERDINAND'S WILL.

STATE SECURITIES FOR CAROL.

APPEAL TO THE NATION.

Bucharest, July 22.

The will of the late King Ferdinand was opened yesterday at the Summer Palace, Sinaia, by the Minister of Justice in the presence of the members of the Royal Family and the Regency Council.

The will, dated July 2, 1925, provided, inter alia, that the estate of Sinaia Castle, at Poles, and all the personal property of the King shall go to the Crown Prince. But a codicil, dated January 11, 1926, annuls this bequest on the ground that these properties are "absolutely necessary to the future King of Roumania."

Carol to be given his share of the money in State securities. A codicil says: "It has seemed good to Heaven to afflict the country, the Queen and myself, with the great misfortune of the renunciation of the Throne by Prince Carol. I can never forget my grief at having to take such a decision which, nevertheless, was demanded by the interests of the State and the Crown. I pray that God will help my dear son in the new life he has chosen; in spite of our wishes, and grant that his choice may prove happy for himself and Roumania."

Letter to Prime Minister.

The King left a letter to the Prime Minister, in which he says: "God willed that the Crown shall pass to my grandson, who is yet a child. The burden of the Government will therefore fall, first on Prince Nicholas and the Council of Regency."

"I call upon all good citizens to do what in them lies for the peace and progress of our country." Referring to his "dear son Carol," the King says:—"For the peace of the country I have sacrificed my fatherly desire to see him again and I charge him to keep his promise and not return without permission of the Government."

Prince Carol's Future.

Paris, July 22.

The "Matin" states that Prince Carol has authorised a declaration that he is most affected and sad at the death of his father.

He cannot express any opinions of the new situation. He telegraphed yesterday to the Royal Family expressing a desire to attend his father's funeral, but hitherto there has been no reply.

The "Matin" interprets this to mean that Prince Carol has not renounced his rights, but still hopes to ascend the Throne.—Reuter.

### NICARAGUA.

DEMAND OF LABOUR CONGRESS.

Washington, July 22.

The Labour Congress has resolved to demand the withdrawal of American forces from Nicaragua.—Reuter's American Service.

### REFUSED DUTY.

ECHO OF RECENT TYPHOON.

CHINESE SAILORS CHARGED.

Refusing work during a typhoon in mid-ocean while on a trip from Balingtang, Dutch East Indies to Yokohama, the Chinese seamen of the Java-China-Japan Lijn s.s. "Tjikandi" brought matters to a head on Wednesday morning when they again refused to turn to while the ship was lying in Taikoo Docks. Not content with refusing work themselves, the seamen prevailed upon the engineroom workers to follow their example.

The first intimation the ship's officers had that more trouble was brewing came on Tuesday night when the engineroom hands approached the Chief Engineer and asked to be paid off, saying that if this was refused the sailors would fight. The Chief Engineer put them off until the morning, promising to speak to the master (Captain Hillebrand) about it.

In the morning the engineroom hands who had behaved well throughout the typhoon, refused work. It was clear, according to the officers, that these men were influenced by the seamen several of whom were loitering on the hatches. One of them was actually saying a lot of things to the engineroom hands. To prevent trouble the Captain ordered that this man be placed in irons. When two of the officers attempted to carry out this order, there was a struggle, and then nine of the seamen rushed at the Officers and what was described as a "big fight" ensued, in which the two Officers were struck.

The police flag was flown and the crew all went ashore. When the police arrived, the Third Officer pointed out the two ringleaders of the disturbance, and they were taken into custody, one of them in the handcuffs with which the Officers had secured him during the struggle.

On Thursday morning the two men were charged before Mr. E. E. Lindsell with assaulting the Chief Engineer (Mr. Greeuw) and the Third Officer (Mr. Nannik).

After the Officers had given evidence, the accused claimed that the period for which they had signed on had expired and they were entitled to be paid off. The officers had no right to detain them and place them in irons.

The Third Officer said that the men were signed on in January for 12 months, but there was a clause in the articles whereby the men could be paid off at the first Chinese port they touched after they had completed six months' service.

The accused's contention was that they were originally signed on in Hong Kong and therefore they were entitled to be paid off in Hong Kong.

The Magistrate remanded the case until to-day when articles were produced in Court by the Third Officer and further evidence taken.

### HEALTH RETURNS.

EASTERN PORT FIGURES.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended July 16 shows the following cases of disease:—

Plague:—1 case at Port Said; 5 cases at Bassett.

Cholera:—2 cases at Bombay; 13 cases at Calcutta; 1 case at Bangkok; 2 cases at Saigon; 3 cases at Canton.

Small-pox:—13 cases at Bombay; 19 cases at Calcutta; 1 case at Karachi; 1 case at Madras; 8 cases at Rangoon; 2 cases at Sourabaya; 2 cases at Moukden; 3 cases at Negapatam.

It is notified in the current "Gazette" that, at the expiration of three months, the Honour Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

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Waterlevels in English Feet.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. on record	Lowest W.L. on record	W.L. 20/7	W.L. 21/7
West River at Shikshing	+41'0"	0'	+11.3	falling
North River at Teingyuet	+28'7"	0'	+13.0	+13.0
North River at Samshui	+27'3"	5'	+7.1	+7.6
East River at Sheklung	+15'2"	3'	+5.5	rising

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